



## ***OSD UAS Airspace Integration Plan***

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# RFC Fundamentals Course

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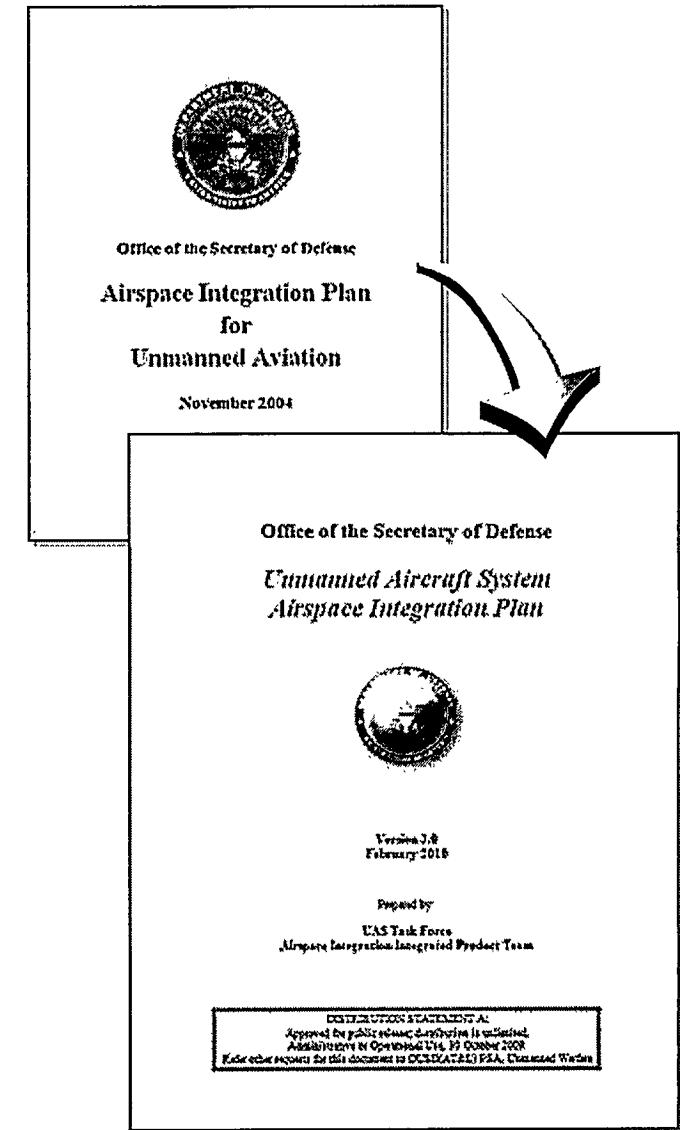
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Stress Awareness and Management	Electronic Attack (EA) and Electronic Protect (EP)	Tactical SAM Systems	Introduction to SEAD Fundamentals
Introduction to Theater Navigation	Electronic Support (ES) and Signals Intelligence (SIGINT)	MANPAD and Hybrid SAM Systems	Signaling Devices and Recovery
Theater Command and Control	ISR and NTISR	Future Threat Systems	Signaling Laboratory
Air Tasking Order & Special Instructions (ATO/SPINS)	Introduction to U.S. Space Operations	Asymmetric Threats	On Scene Commander Fundamentals
Basic C4I for Air Operations	Navigation Warfare	Current IO/EW Threats	Camp Bullis Orientation
Aircraft Identification Procedures	Network Warfare	Unmanned Aircraft Systems	
Portable Flight Planning Software (PFPS) / Falcon view	Integrated Air Defense Systems (IADS)	Introduction to USAF Weapons	
Introduction to Combat Operations	Indirect Threat Systems	Weapons Basics and Delivery	
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Sensor Antennas	AAA Systems	Targeting and Weapon Selection	
Air Defense Radars	Missile Concepts 1	Tactical Communications	



# OSD UAS Airspace Integration Plan

## Purpose

- Updates the November 2004 OSD Airspace Integration Plan (AIP) for Unmanned Aviation
- Outlines DoD's equities in UAS Integration
- Defines an incremental DoD NAS access strategy
- Defines foundational activities for NAS Access
- Identifies validation activities needed to show compliance
- Defines capabilities and resources needed for current and future operations
- Informs the ExCom NAS Access Working Group process





## Requirement

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There is an ***Operational Need*** for DoD Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) to operate in the National Airspace System (NAS) to:

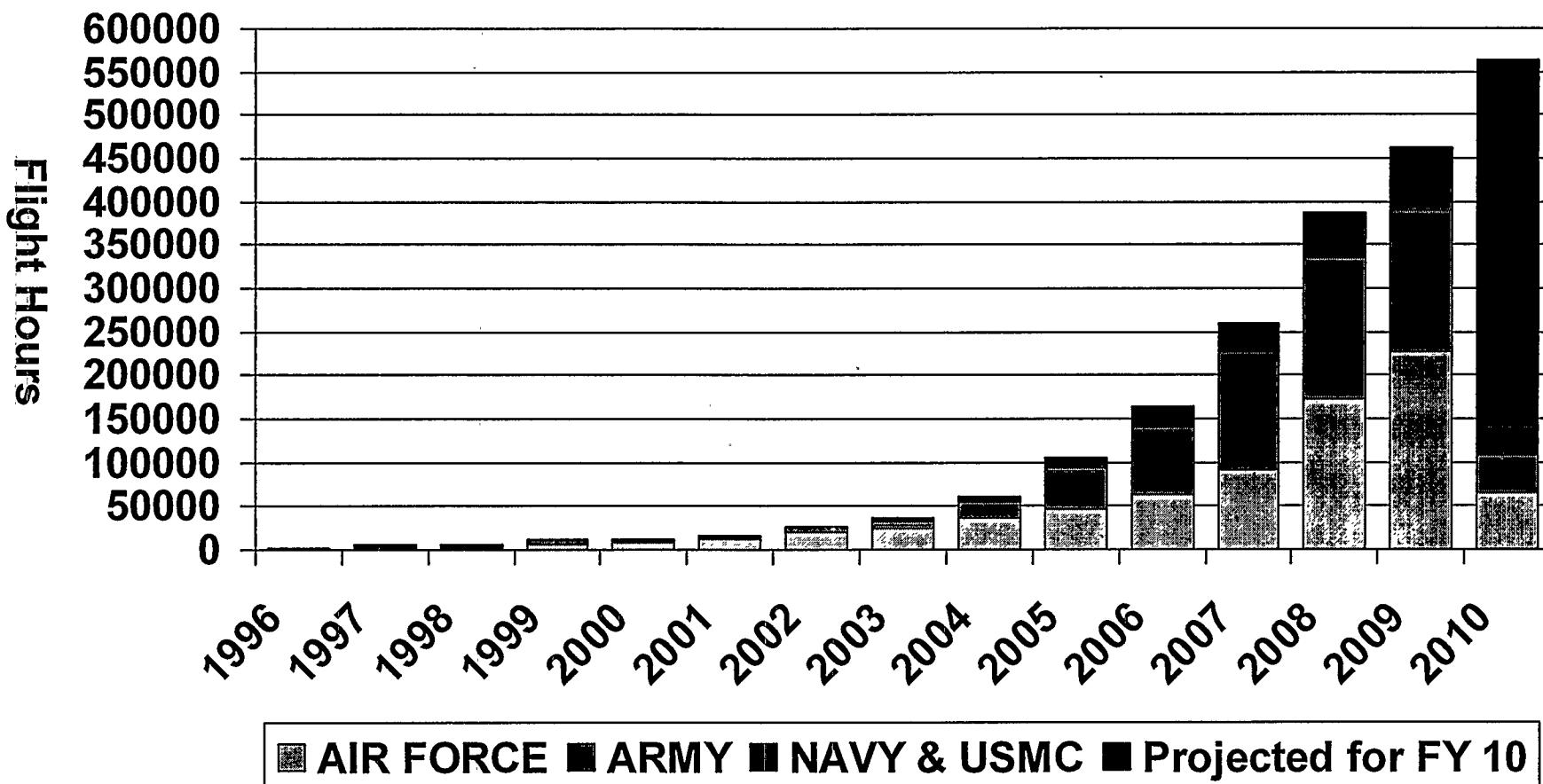
- Train military UAS pilots and sensor operators in real-world conditions to prepare them for battle
  - Shortfalls in trained and ready UAS operators put American lives at risk
- Conduct operational sorties to support COCOM missions and taskings
  - Homeland defense, disaster relief/recovery
- Develop, Test & Evaluate aircraft, systems and procedures to support battlefield objectives

***All DoD UAS operations directly support National Security***



# *Requirement*

## *DoD UAS Flight Hours by Fiscal Year*

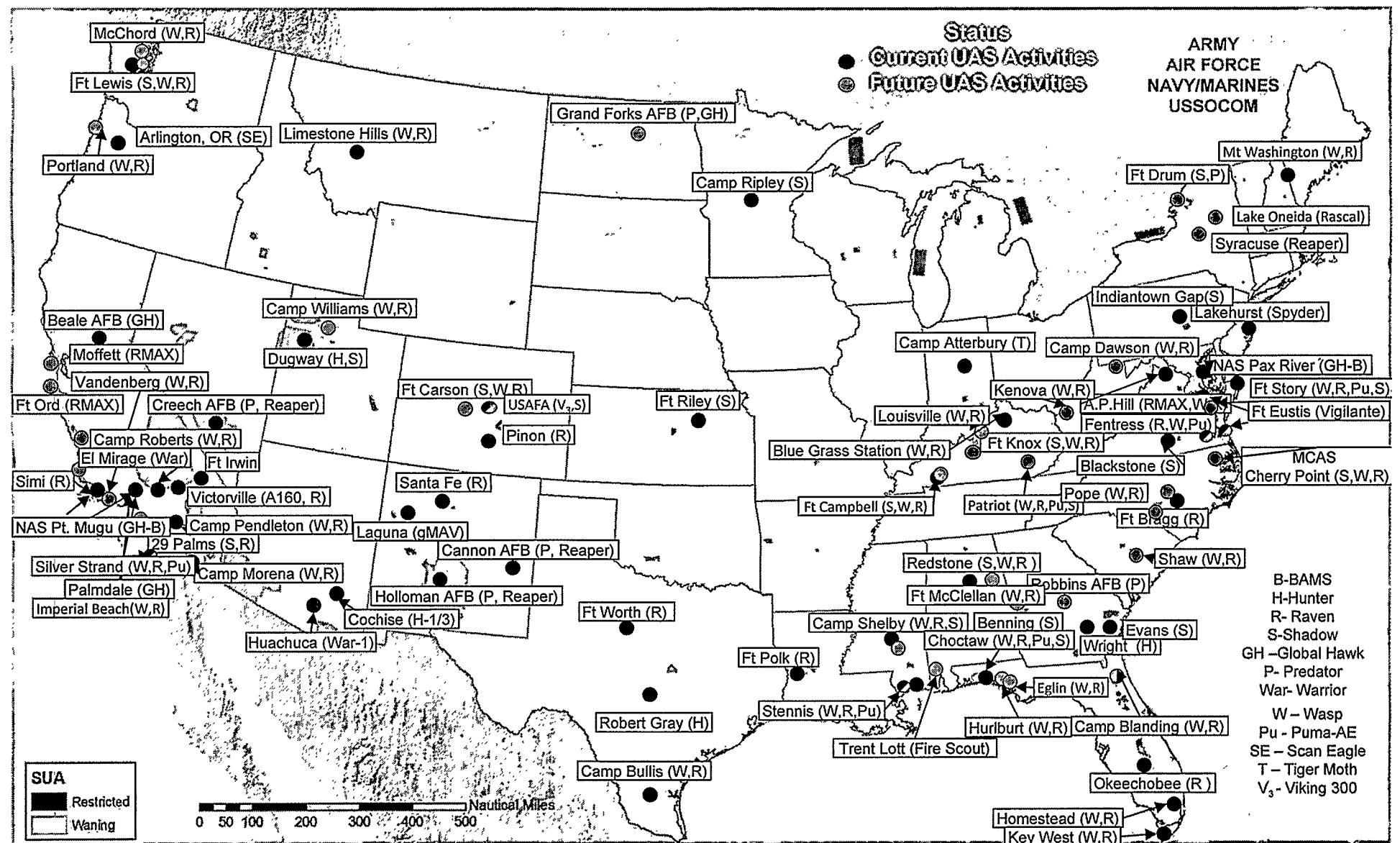


Does not include man-portable Small UAS  
(e.g., Raven)



# ***DoD UAS Activities***

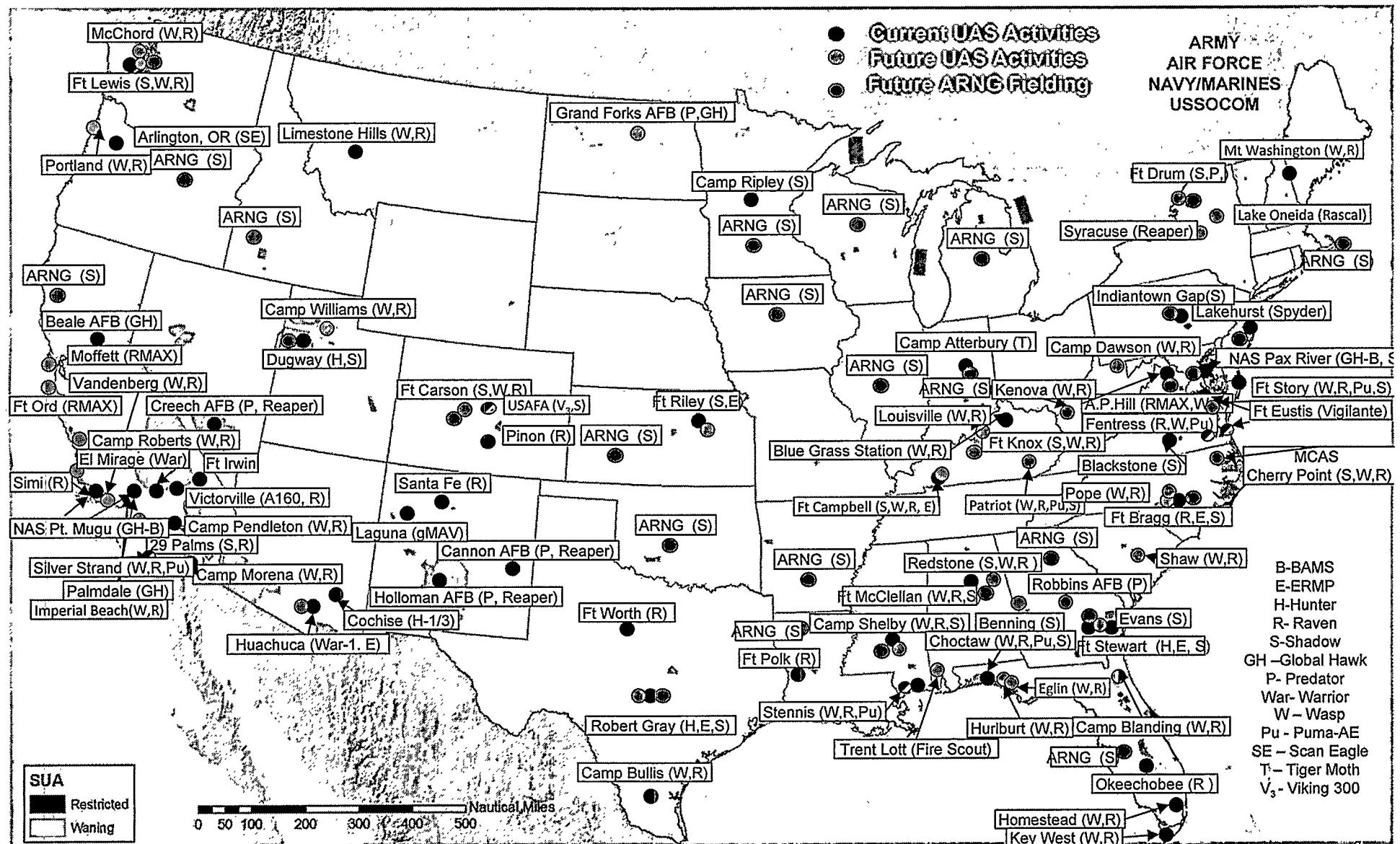
## *Current and Projected Through FY11*





# DoD UAS Activities

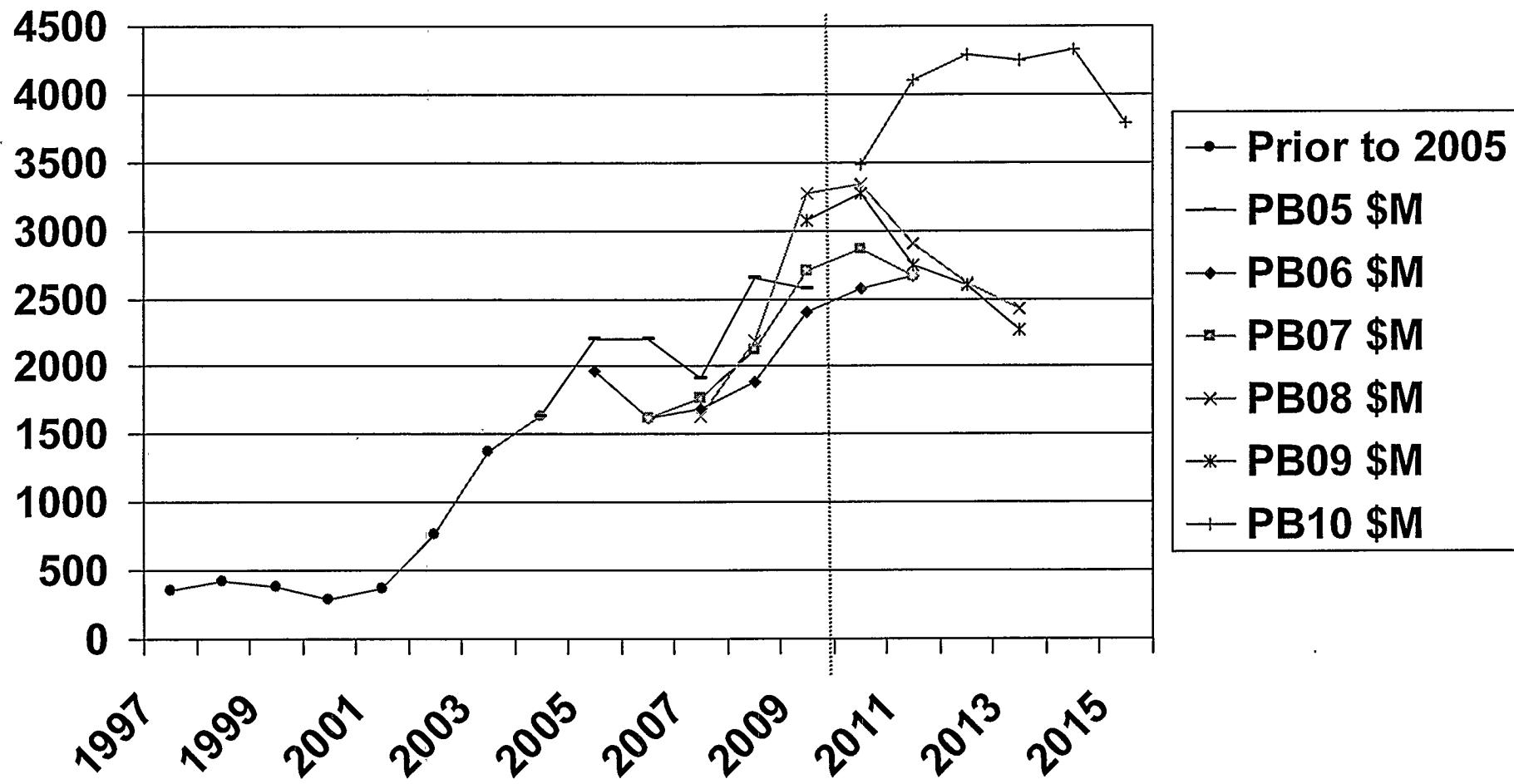
## Projected Operations Through FY16



B-BAMS  
E-ERMP  
H-Hunter  
R-Raven  
S-Shadow  
GH -Global Hawk  
P- Predator  
War-Warrior  
W-Wasp  
Pu-Puma-AE  
SE-Scan Eagle  
T-Tiger Moth  
V<sub>3</sub>-Viking 300



## *DoD UAS Funding (RDT&E & Procurement)*



**PB 10 included \$189M through the FYDP for UAS Airspace Integration**

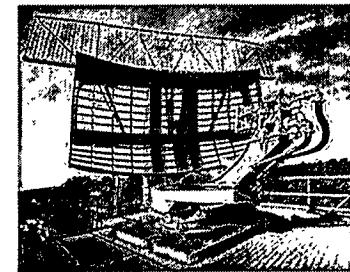
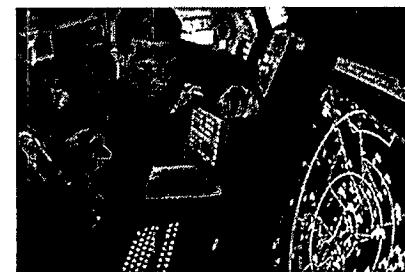
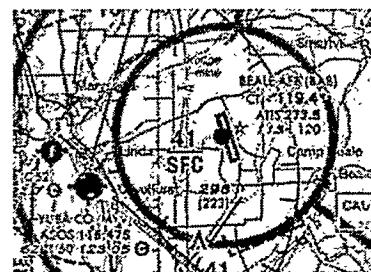


# *DoD Equities in UAS Integration*

## Leadership

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- DoD is the single largest operator of unmanned aircraft in the world
  - The most aircraft
  - The most pilots
  - The most experience in all phases of UAS operations
- Outside of FAA, the DoD is the largest:
  - Regulator of pilots & aircraft
  - Certificator of aircraft and avionics systems
  - Manager of airspace
  - Employer of air traffic controllers
  - Operator of airfields and air traffic systems



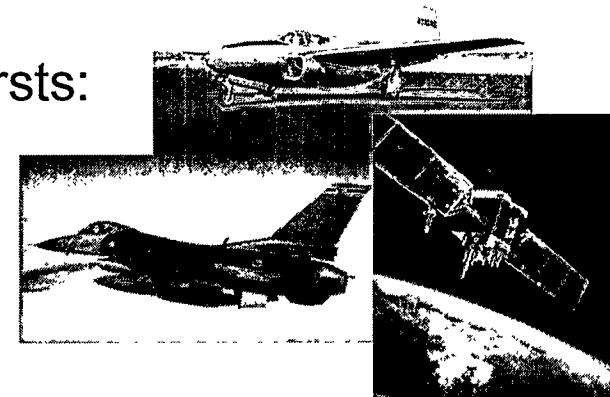


# ***DoD Equities in UAS Integration Strengths***

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## **DoD enjoys:**

- World-class aviation R&D expertise
- Established partnerships with FAA, NASA, DHS and others
- Unparalleled control over DoD aircraft, operators, facilities and airspace
- A long history of US aviation/certification firsts:
  - Jet propulsion
  - Composite materials
  - Fly-by-wire
  - GPS



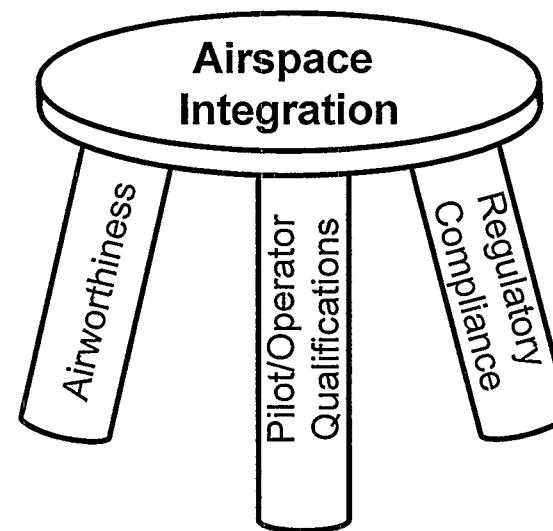
***DoD not only has the requirement for NAS Access,  
we have the resources and expertise to address it***



## Foundational Activities

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There are three foundational requirements needed for any aircraft (manned or unmanned) to integrate routinely into the NAS:





# ***Foundational Activities***

## **Overview**

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- Airworthiness
  - Update MIL-HDBK-516 to address gaps for DoD UAS certification
- Pilot/Operator Qualifications
  - Military Departments develop/implement training syllabi/standards
  - DoD instruction (CJCS3325.01) provides qualification targets
  - Service validation activities evaluate effectiveness and adjust curriculum
- Regulatory Compliance
  - Procedural
    - Class D/G operational procedures
    - Blanket COAs / COA Reform
    - ATC standard phraseology/terminology
    - Lost link / Divert / Recovery guidelines
    - Self Separation / Coll. Avoidance criteria
    - Operating area rules
  - Materiel
    - GBSAA
    - ABSAA
    - SAA Displays
    - Maneuver algorithms
    - Weather Avoidance
    - Auto-Takeoff / Auto-Land
    - Other

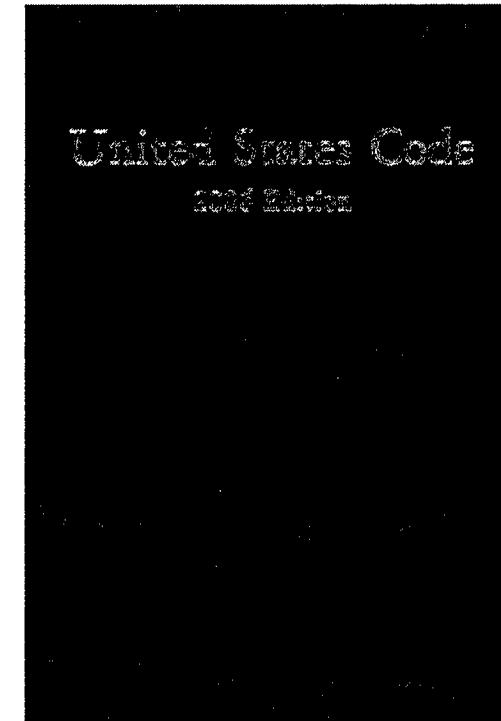


## ***Foundational Activities***

### ***Authorities & Responsibilities***

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- Title 10 of the United States Code grants the Secretaries of the Military Departments “are responsible for, and have the authority to conduct, **all affairs** of the Department”
- Specifically addresses:
  - Training
  - Equipping (including R&D)
  - Manufacture/repair of military equipment (aircraft, sensors, systems)
- Also charged with “carrying out the functions of the Department...so as to fulfill the current and future operational requirements of the unified and specified combatant commands”

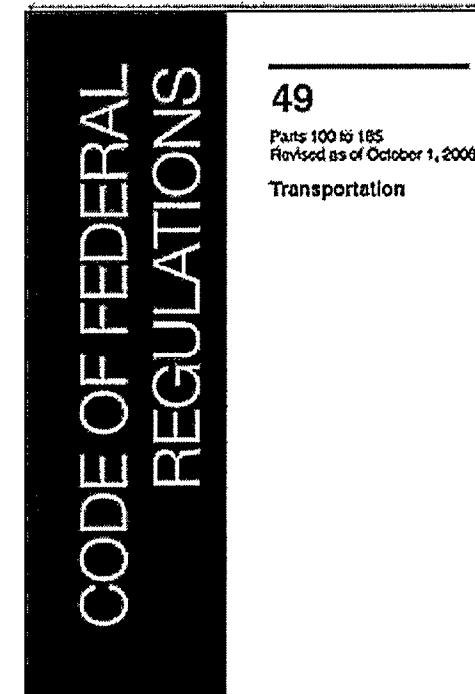




# **Foundational Activities**

## **Authorities & Responsibilities**

- DoD UAS meet the statutory requirements for “Public” aircraft under 49 USC § 40102 and § 40125
- As public aircraft, **the airworthiness of DoD UAS is certified solely by the Military Departments**
- As operators of public aircraft, **DoD UAS pilots are certified solely by the Military Departments.**



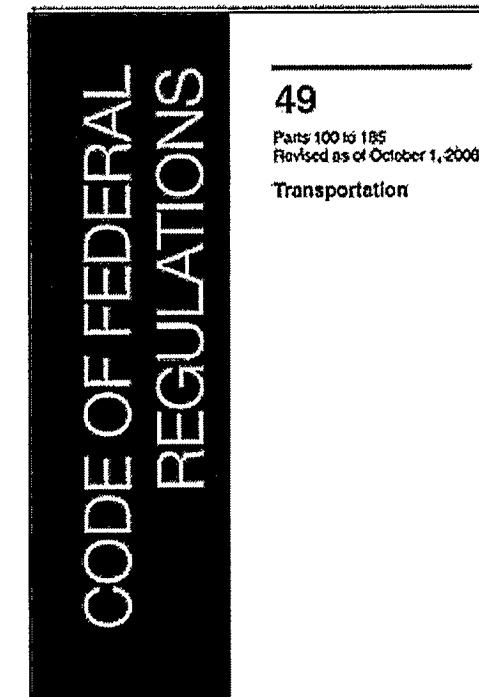
***The DoD certifies the airworthiness of our aircraft  
and the qualification of our pilots***



# **Foundational Activities**

## **Authorities & Responsibilities**

- FAA authority to regulate aviation activities is granted by statute in Title 49, United States Code
- Chapter 401 (§ 40103) specifically grants FAA Administrator the authority to “*develop plans and policy for the use of the navigable airspace and assign by regulation or order the use of the airspace necessary to ensure the safety of aircraft and the efficient use of airspace*”
  - Primarily codified in Part 91, *General Operating and Flight Rules*
  - Multiple exemptions/exceptions exist for military aviation operations



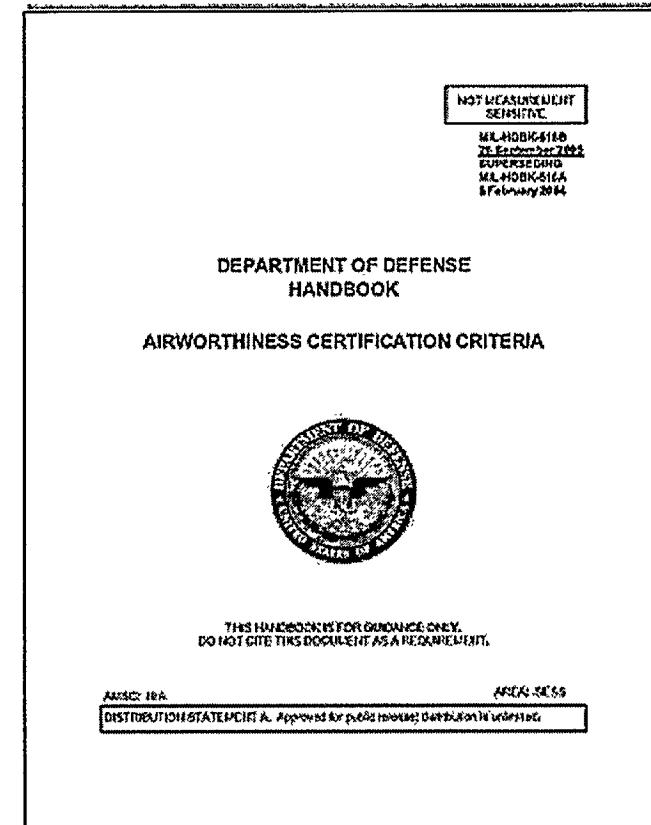
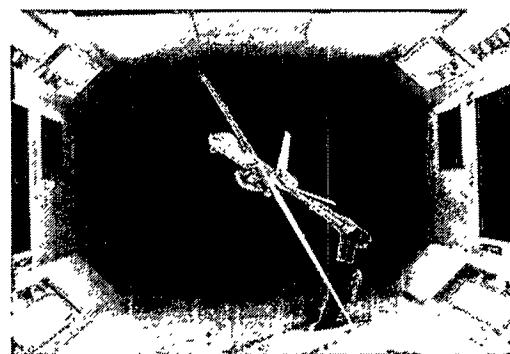
***The FAA sets the NAS “rules of the road”  
DoD ensures compliance for our systems & pilots***



# *Foundational Activities*

## Airworthiness

- Detailed airworthiness criteria for DoD aircraft is published in MIL-HDBK-516
  - While the majority of existing guidance is translatable to UAS, there are gaps
- DoD has accelerated development of UAS criteria to address those gaps within the next 12 months



***Panel Topic: Mr Pete Heasley, US Navy***

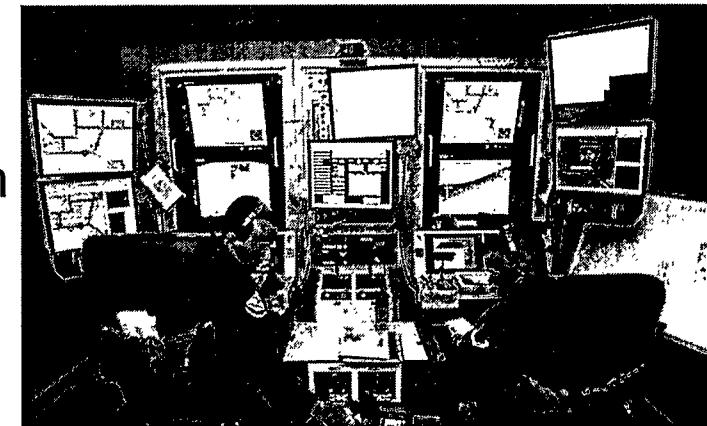


## ***Foundational Activities***

### ***UAS Pilot/Operator Qualification***

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- DoD Services train and certify their pilots
  - Military pilots do much more than transit the NAS
    - Air combat maneuvering, weapons employment, strategic/tactical payload delivery, surveillance, CAP, etc.
  - NAS qualification is integrated into training/certification programs
  - Aircraft-specific qualification is required for most platforms
    - UAS are no different
- Two sources for DoD UAS pilots
  - Transition experienced pilots from other aircraft
  - Train new pilots for ground-up UAS qualification



***Panel Topic: Col Trey “Lex” Turner, US Air Force***



## ***Foundational Activities Regulatory Compliance***

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- DoD has the responsibility to ensure that military aircraft operations are conducted in compliance with applicable operational rules (e.g. Part 91)
- For UAS, this means leveraging new technologies, procedures, and policies to address compliance
  - Technologies (sensors, conflict detection)
  - Policies (certification, equipage)
  - Procedures (terminal, avoidance, lost-link)
- DoD/FAA continue to partner on procedural UAS access approaches
  - Class G over DoD bases/lands (small UAS)
  - Class D at non-joint-use DoD airfields (all UAS)

***Panel Topic (Procedures): COL Bob Hess, US Army***



## ***Foundational Activities***

### ***Regulatory Compliance***

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- DoD has specific, near-term access requirements
  - CONUS launch/recovery of operational missions
  - Access to/movement within defined operating/training areas
  - Homeland defense/OGA support (e.g. disaster relief)
  - Terminal operations
  - Small UAS training
- Focus: enable these specific access requirements in the near-term
- Keys to success:
  - Identify, scope and target critical UAS flight profiles
  - Focus resources/expertise to address those specific profiles
  - Certify solutions for use at multiple locations

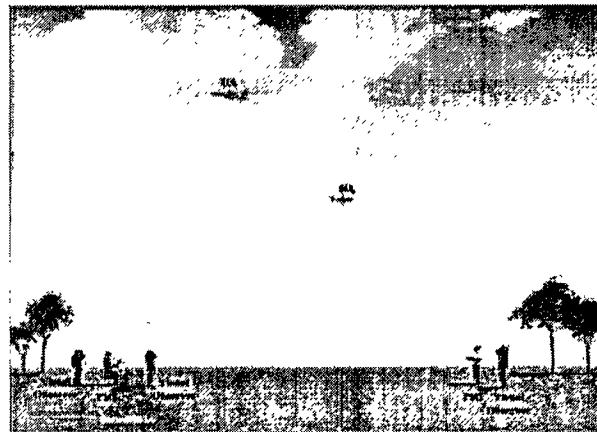
***Tailored solutions enable near-term, routine UAS operations***



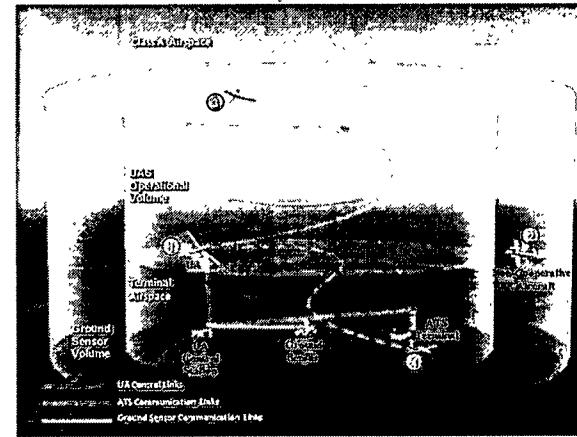
# Incremental DoD NAS Access Strategy

## UAS Access Profiles

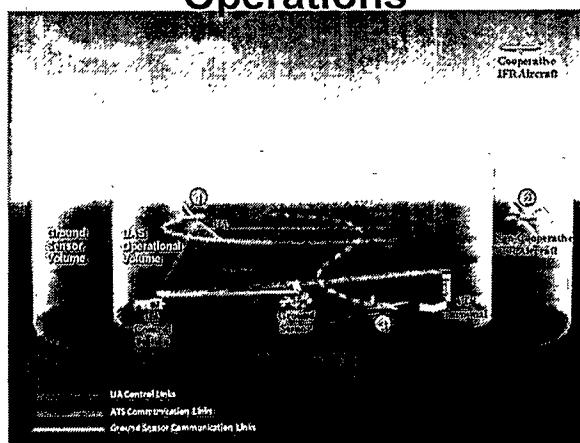
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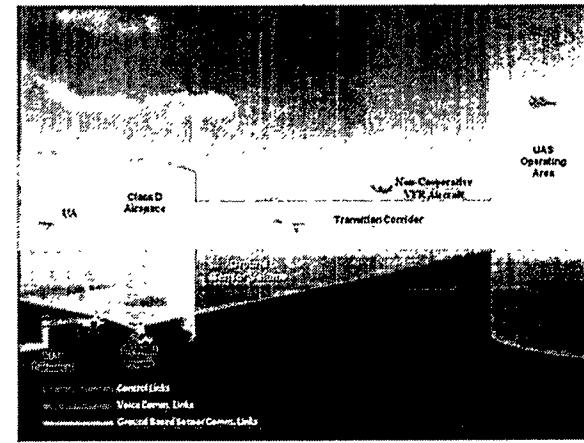
Terminal Area Operations



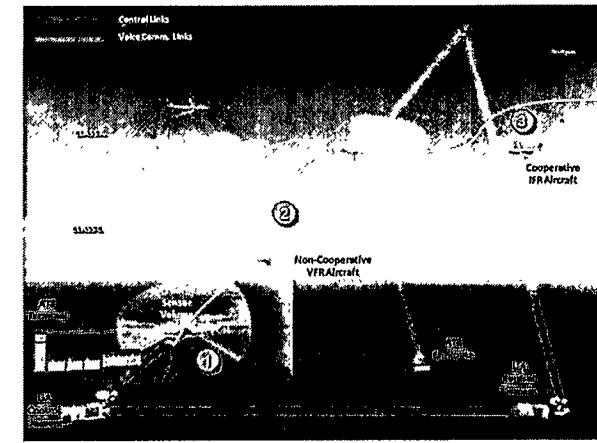
Vertical Transit Operations



Lateral Transit Operations



Dynamic Operations





# ***UAS Access Profiles***

## *Line-of-Sight Operations*

### Incremental Capability:

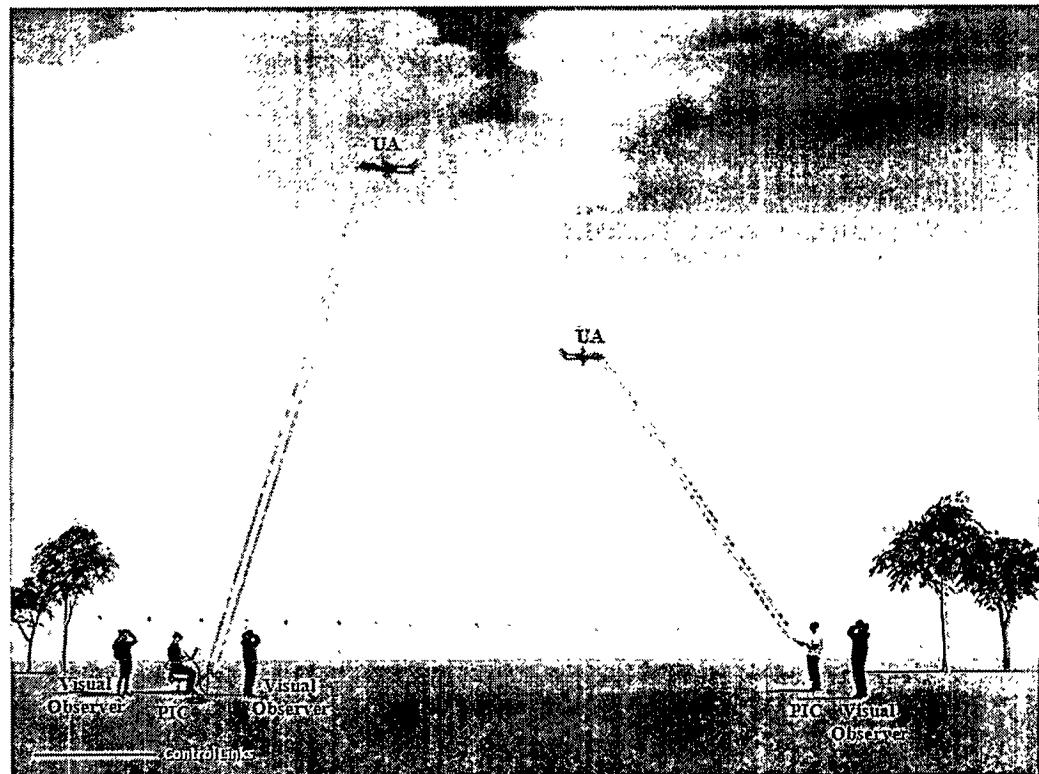
- Establishes a means to conduct UAS operations in VFR conditions

### Airspace Classes enabled:

- Class D, E & G operations

### UAS Group(s) supported:

- Groups I, II, some III



### Implementation Needs:

- DoD/FAA MOU
- SUAS SFAR
- Qualified Observer



# UAS Access Profiles

## Terminal Area Operations

### Incremental Capability:

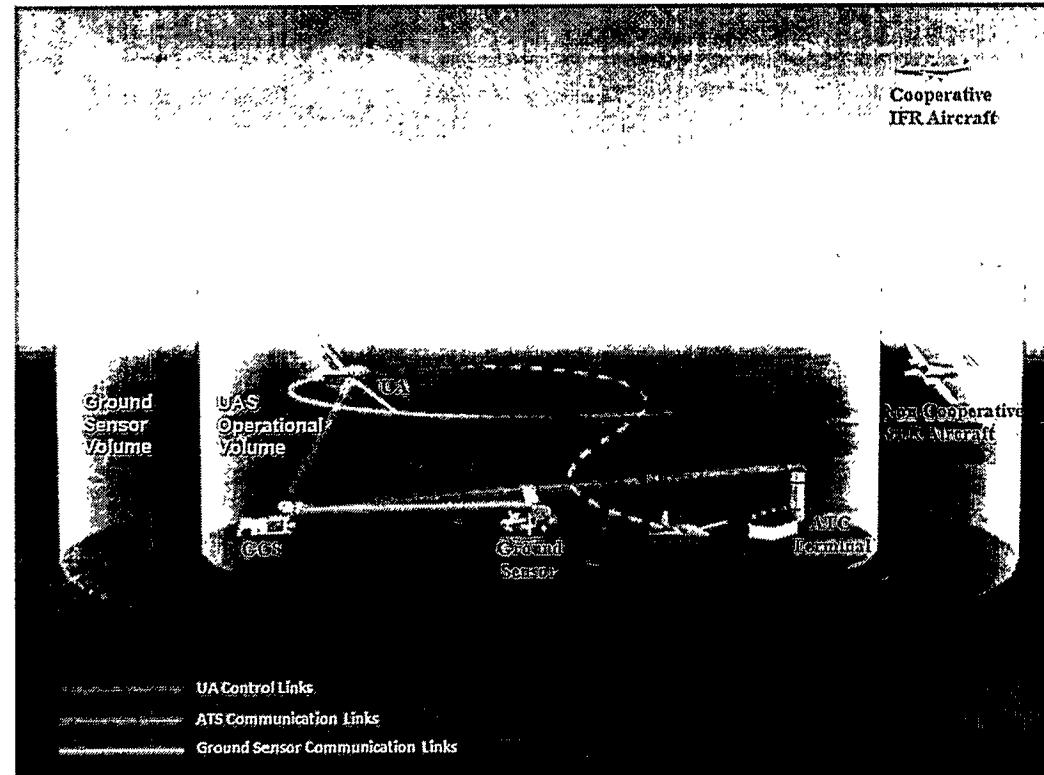
- Establishes the ability to conduct terminal area operations in a confined volume of airspace
- Facilitates terminal operations and training (e.g. take-off & landing)
- Relies on ground sensors and/or observers to detect other aircraft and provide the UAS pilot with the necessary information needed to maintain self separation

### Airspace Classes enabled:

- Class D operations

### UAS Group(s) supported:

- All Groups



### Implementation Needs :

- DoD Class D Procedures
- Enabling technologies (e.g. GBSAA) or observers
- Airworthy UAS
- Qualified Pilots



# ***UAS Access Profiles***

## *Lateral Transit (Corridor) Operations*

### Incremental Capability:

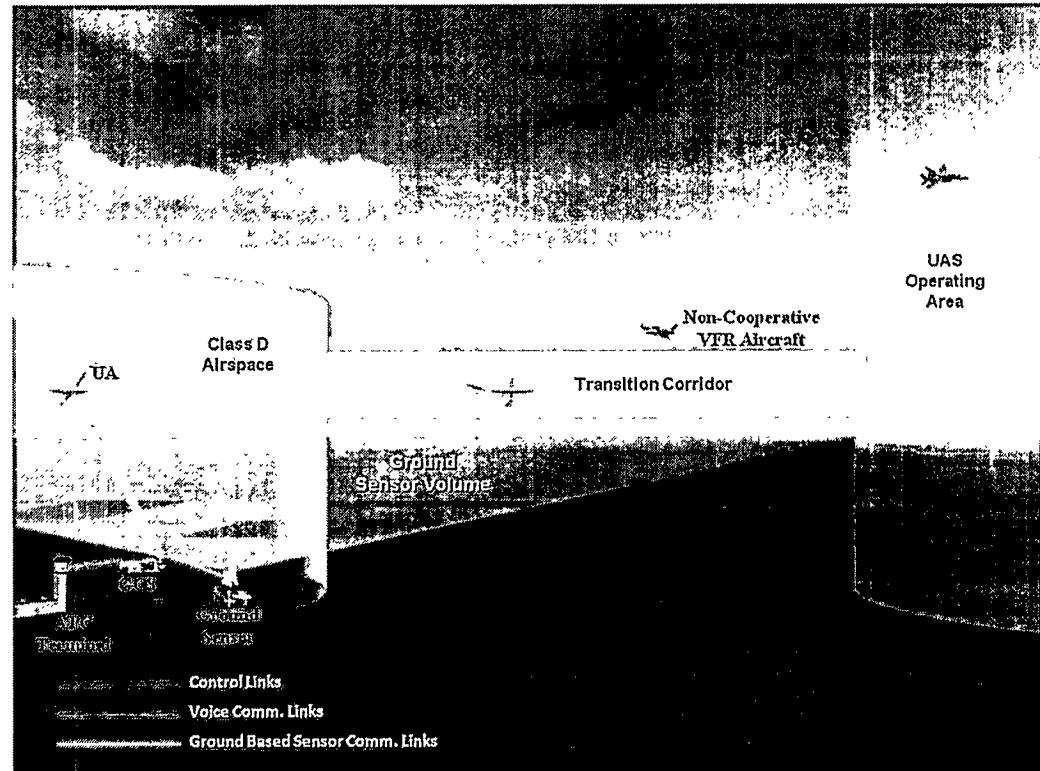
- Enables UAS the ability to safely transition through a predefined horizontal corridor within the NAS that bridges two volumes of airspace (e.g. Class D & Restricted Area)
- Corridor can be implemented at any altitude, but will typically reside in class E airspace (above 1200' AGL, below 18K ft MSL)
- Relies on ground sensors to detect other aircraft and provide the UAS pilot with the necessary information needed to maintain self separation

### Airspace Classes enabled:

- Class A & E operations

### UAS Group(s) supported:

- Groups III, IV & V



### Implementation Needs:

- Procedures (e.g. lost link, divert, recovery)
- Enabling technologies (e.g. GBSAA)
- Airworthy UAS
- Qualified Pilots



# UAS Access Profiles

## Vertical Transit (Cylinder) Operations

### Incremental Capability:

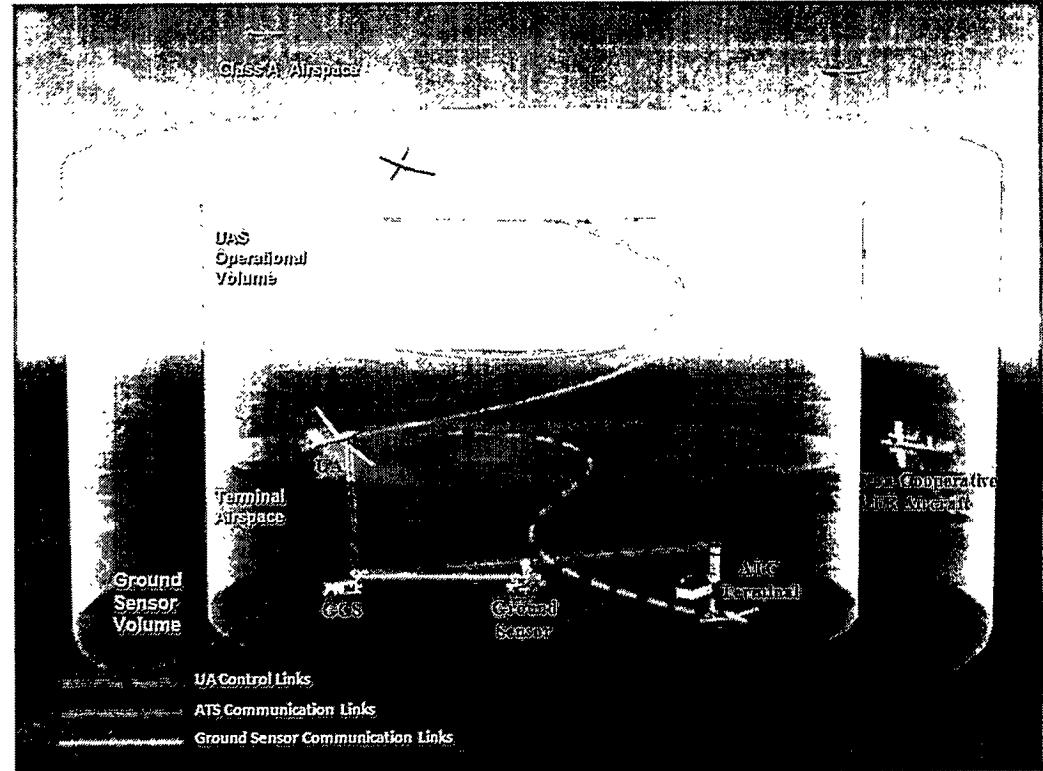
- Enables UAS the ability to safely transition through a predefined vertical corridor that bridges a lower and a higher body of airspace
- Corridor can be implemented at any altitude, but will typically facilitate operations between terminal airspace and Class A (positive control) airspace
- Relies on ground sensors to detect other aircraft and provide the UAS pilot with the necessary information needed to maintain self separation

### Airspace Classes enabled:

- Class A, C & E operations

### UAS Group(s) supported:

- Groups IV & V



### Implementation Needs:

- Procedures (e.g. lost link, divert, recovery)
- Enabling technologies (e.g. GBSAA)
- Airworthy UAS
- Qualified Pilots



# **UAS Access Profiles**

## *Dynamic Operations (Full Integration)*

### Incremental Capability:

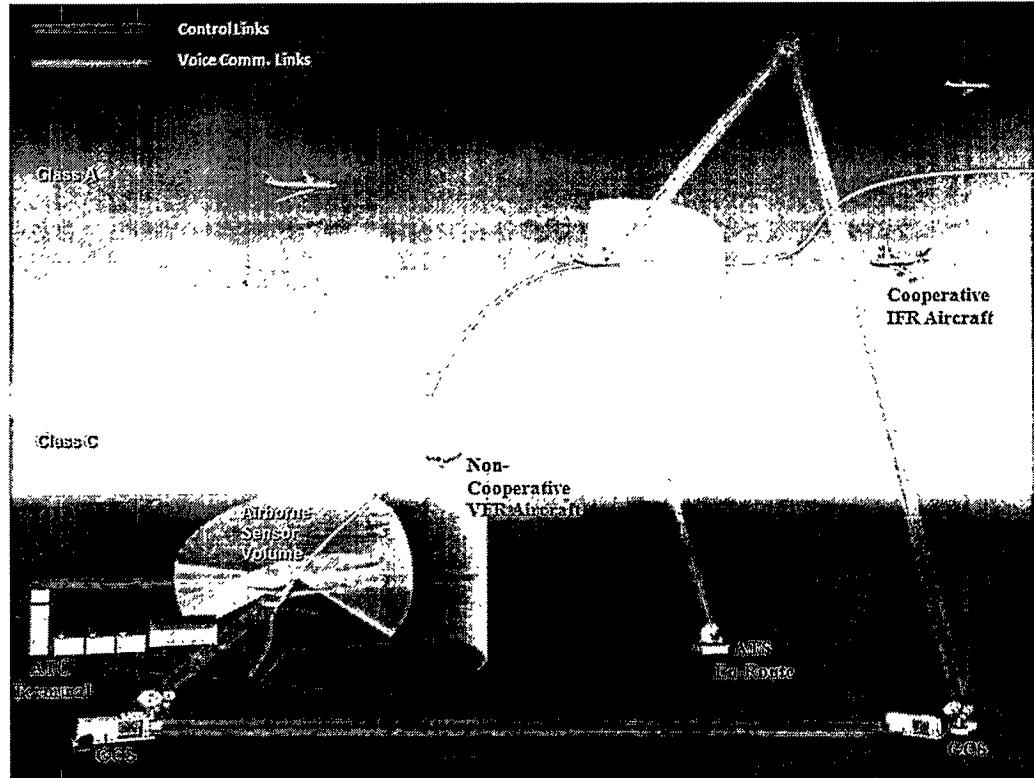
- Provides UAS the ability to safely conduct routine operations within the NAS in a similar manner to how manned aircraft operate today
- Relies on airborne sensors to detect other aircraft and autonomously perform self separation and collision avoidance

### Airspace Classes enabled:

- All Airspace Classes
- En Route & Contingency

### UAS Group(s) supported:

- Groups III, IV & V



### Implementation Needs:

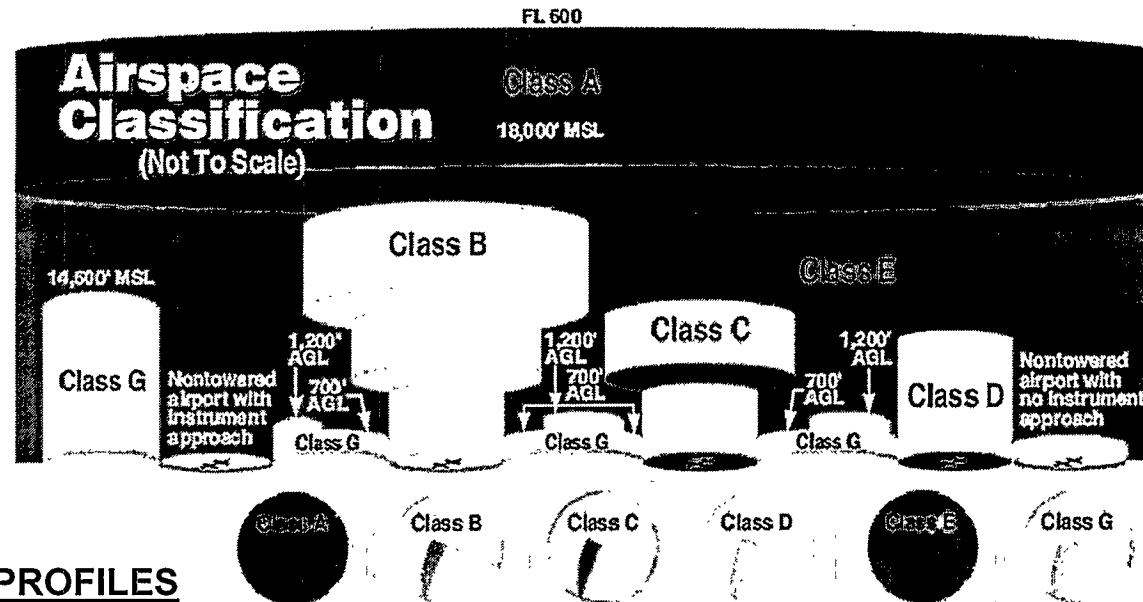
- Adopted technical standards for UAS
- Certified technical solutions (e.g. ABSAA)
- Airworthy UAS
- Qualified Pilots/Operators



# Incremental DoD NAS Access Strategy

## UAS Access Profiles

- UAS Access Profiles achieve incremental NAS access to all required classes of airspace.



### UAS ACCESS PROFILES



Operations	Class A	Class B	Class C	Class D	Class E	Class G
Line of Sight Operations				X	X	X
Terminal Area Operations					X	
Lateral Transit (Corridor) Operations	X		X	X	X	
Vertical Transit (Cylinder) Operations	X		X	X	X	
Dynamic Operations (File & Fly)	X	X	X	X	X	X



## Validation Activities

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- Develop a repeatable and quantifiable safety approach / methodology
  - Applicable to any UAS in any location
- Establish acceptance thresholds for implementation
  - Consider all safety mitigations (e.g. traffic volume/density, ground population, aircraft performance, airspace restrictions, and operating rules)
- Develop and implement technical standards for certification
  - Defines the critical metrics and thresholds
  - Obviates need to submit safety cases for each UAS/location
- Use existing Programs of Record to develop and prove concepts and solutions
  - GBSAA
  - ABSAA

***A standardized safety methodology is needed so that only the results are evaluated, not the methodology used to attain the results.***



# Way Ahead

## *Establishment of 3 Phases to Incrementally Increase Capability*

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- ***Phase 1: Develop procedural remedies***

- Addresses: sUAS, Class D, and operations under CoA
- Timeframe: 2007 – 2011
- Success Criteria:

- Formalized agreement between FAA/DoD that authorizes access to specific categories of airspace
- Reformed COA application and approval process
- Formally-ratified safety case methodology and target level of safety

- ***Phase 2: Develop standards and leverage existing technologies***

- Addresses: Local airfield and transit operations
- Timeframe: 2010 - 2013
- Success Criteria:

- Developed, certified and fielded GBSAA system
- Standardized procedures for avoidance, coordination and contingencies
- Creation of a Fielding Plan that guides implementation at any UAS basing location

- ***Phase 3: Develop standards and certify new technologies***

- Addresses: All UAS missions in any operating location and global airspace
- Timeframe: 2012 - 2018
- Success Criteria:

- Developed and approved technical standards and performance specifications
- Developed, certified and fielded ABSAA system



## ***Summary***

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- DoD's UAS NAS access requirements are only increasing (and fast)
- DoD has the resources, expertise, facilities, and authority to rapidly develop, field, and certify key aspects of NAS integration for military UAS:
  - Airworthiness
  - Pilot/Operator Qualification
  - Systems
  - Policies
  - Procedures
- DoD's phased approach delivers near-term capability to the warfighter while synchronizing with Congressionally-imposed timelines
- DoD is committed to working closely with our ExCom partners to achieve routine, safe access for UAS in the NAS



## *Panel Topic*

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# Airworthiness

Mr Pete Heasley  
US Navy



# Airworthiness Objectives

## DoD Airspace Integration IPT

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*"The development of airworthiness criteria, standards, and methods of compliance for both fixed and rotary wing UAS (GCS and links included) to enable those systems to more routinely access the NAS with less operational restrictions."*

### Drivers

- Title X requires that Departments self-certify airworthiness
- MIL-HDBK-516 is the DoD-recognized airworthiness criteria set for certification

### Current Impact

- Without airworthiness criteria/standards/ and means of compliance, UAS platforms will not be designed, nor built, nor verified, to a level in which they can earn the full measure of DoD airworthiness certification. As a result, they will be subject to numerous restrictions levied upon them.

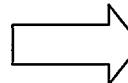
### Benefits of updating -516

- **Efficiency.** "Tailoring down" from manned standards for each new UAS platform is neither efficient nor timely
- **Accuracy.** Reduces inconsistencies in data requirements platform to platform
- **Flexibility.** Lack of standards is resulting in stringent operational limitations



# OSD Resource Commitment

OSD has agreed to resource the Services to address the UAS Airworthiness Standards Gaps through the UAS Task Force and Airspace Integration IPT



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MEMORANDUM FOR PROGRAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, UNMANNED AVIATION AND STRIKE WEAPONS AERONAUTICAL SYSTEMS CENTER, ENGINEERING DIRECTORATE AIR FORCE PROGRAM EXECUTIVE OFFICE AVIATION

SUBJECT: Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) Airworthiness Criteria

The Department's FY2010 budget submission includes funding for UAS aerospace integration efforts. The appropriate for the FY2010 aerospace integration funding is updating the Department of Defense Aerospace Standard, "Airworthiness Certification Criteria (MIL-AIR-8760C)" to include criteria specific to UAS.

Assuming the FY2010 Appropriations Act is enacted with the requested UAS aerospace integration funds, funding for the update of the MIL-AIR-8760C (\$1.2 M) Research, Development, Test and Evaluation will be distributed either directly to your Military Department's airworthiness office or through the appropriate Program Executive Office or Program Office approximately 30 days after it is received by the Department.

To expedite the distribution of funds a statement of work with a cost estimate must be provided by October 15, 2009 to Mr. Jim Greenley at [james.greenley@osd.mil](mailto:james.greenley@osd.mil) using the attached template. Mr. Greenley can also be contacted at 703-693-1600.

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## Airspace Integration IPT

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Systems Integration SIPT  
Lead: Capt Zwick (NAVAIR)

Operations Support SIPT  
Lead: Col Peterson (NORTHCOM)

Policy & Procedures SIPT  
Lead: COL Hess (USAASA)

NextGen & International SIPT  
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## Ground Based Sense and Avoid

## Airborne Sense and Avoid

## Airworthiness

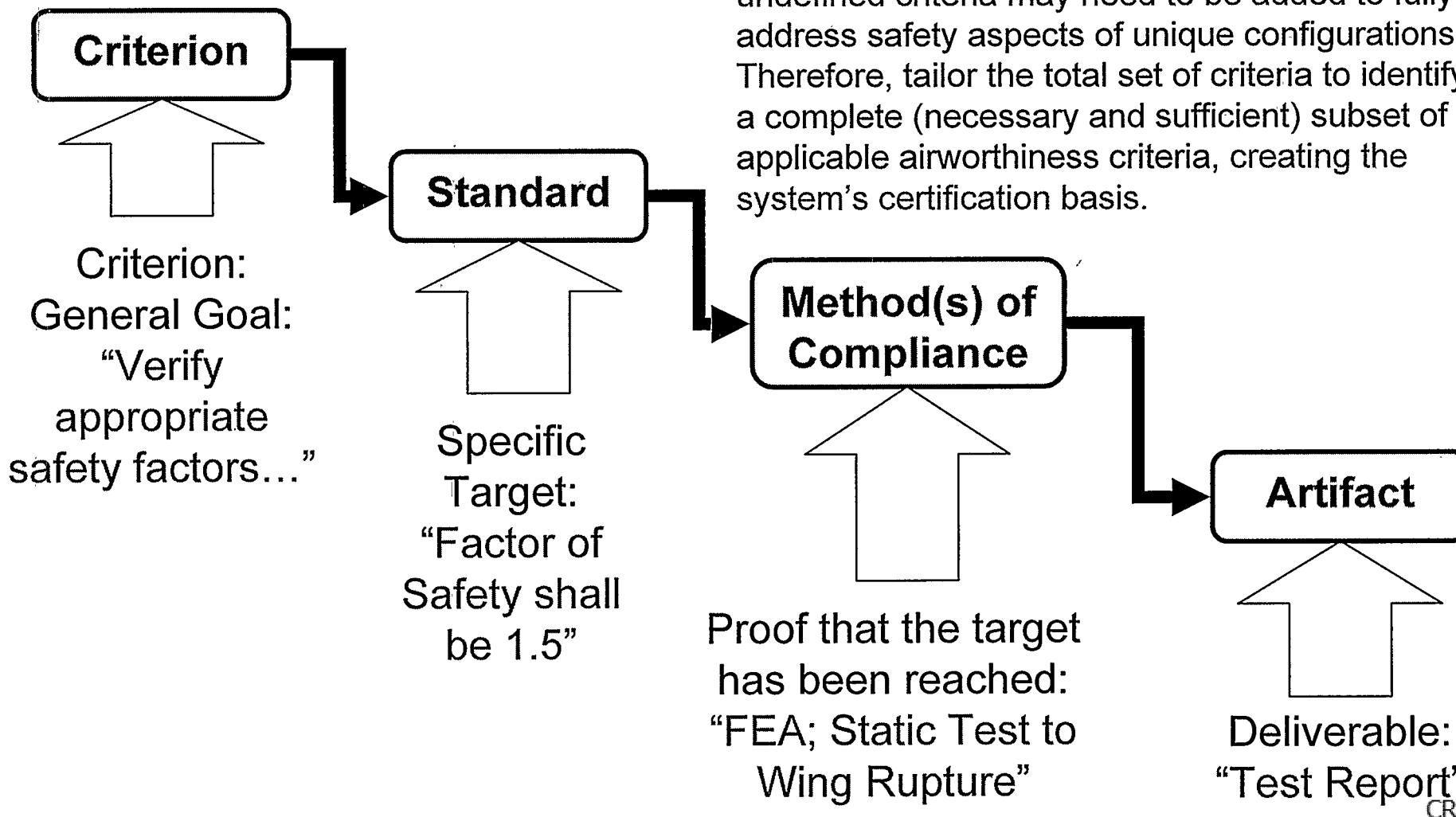
## UAS TF Objective 4.3

Work with Service flight certification activities to ensure that UAS specific airworthiness issues are addressed in a coordinated and collaborative forum.



# MIL-HDBK-516 Tailoring Process

## DoD UAS





# Activity Outline

## *Development of UAS Criteria/Standards from many sources*

Derived from existing UAS program specifications



Tailored for UAS application from an existing manned specs



Best practices and Lessons Learned from existing programs



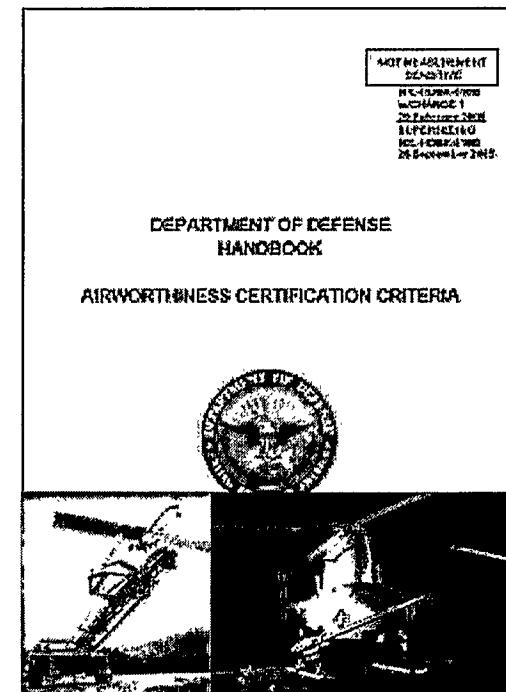
NATO Efforts – STANAG 4671, STANAG 4702, STANAG 4703



University Studies



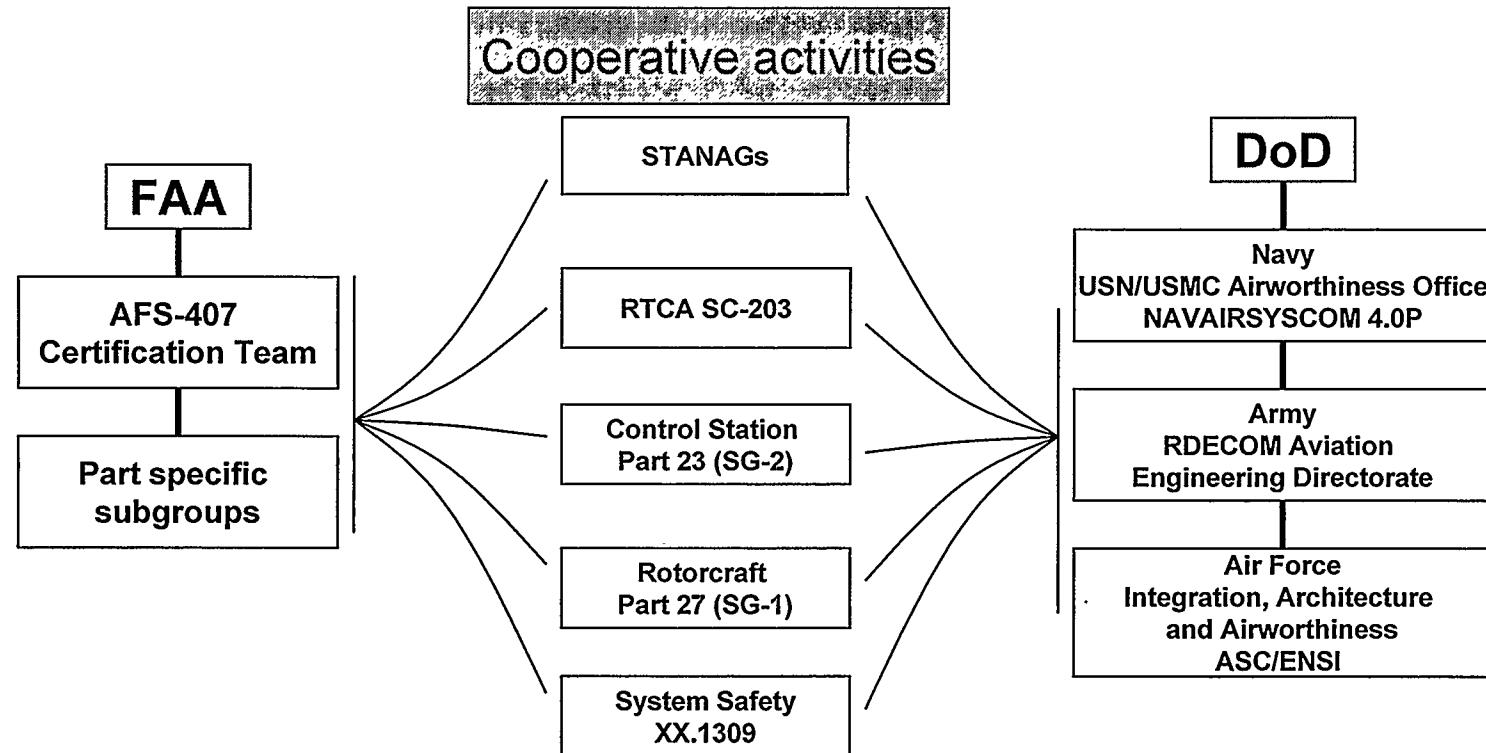
Leverage Standards bodies (e.g. SAE, ASTM, etc)





# DoD/FAA Cooperative Activities

## Airworthiness



FAA and DoD participate in each other's airworthiness activities to varying degrees from full and active membership in the specific workgroups to providing review and comment to group product



## ***Summary***

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- Development of UAS specific criteria/standards will improve the efficiency and effectiveness of this process and will reduce the number of resulting operational limitations
- Service airworthiness offices (and related subject matter experts) within DoD are currently engaged in a 12 month activity cycle to develop UAS specific criteria/standards
  - Results will inform airworthiness certification basis development to streamline NAS access for DoD UAS
- Services are leveraging many current and future activities in the development of UAS standards
  - Existing UAS programs
  - International forums (e.g. NATO STANAGs)
  - University studies
  - Joint working groups
- Services are participating in multiple cooperative efforts with the FAA and other agency stakeholders to understand and address UAS airworthiness issues



## *Panel Topic*

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# Air Force UAS Pilot Training

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HQ US Air Force



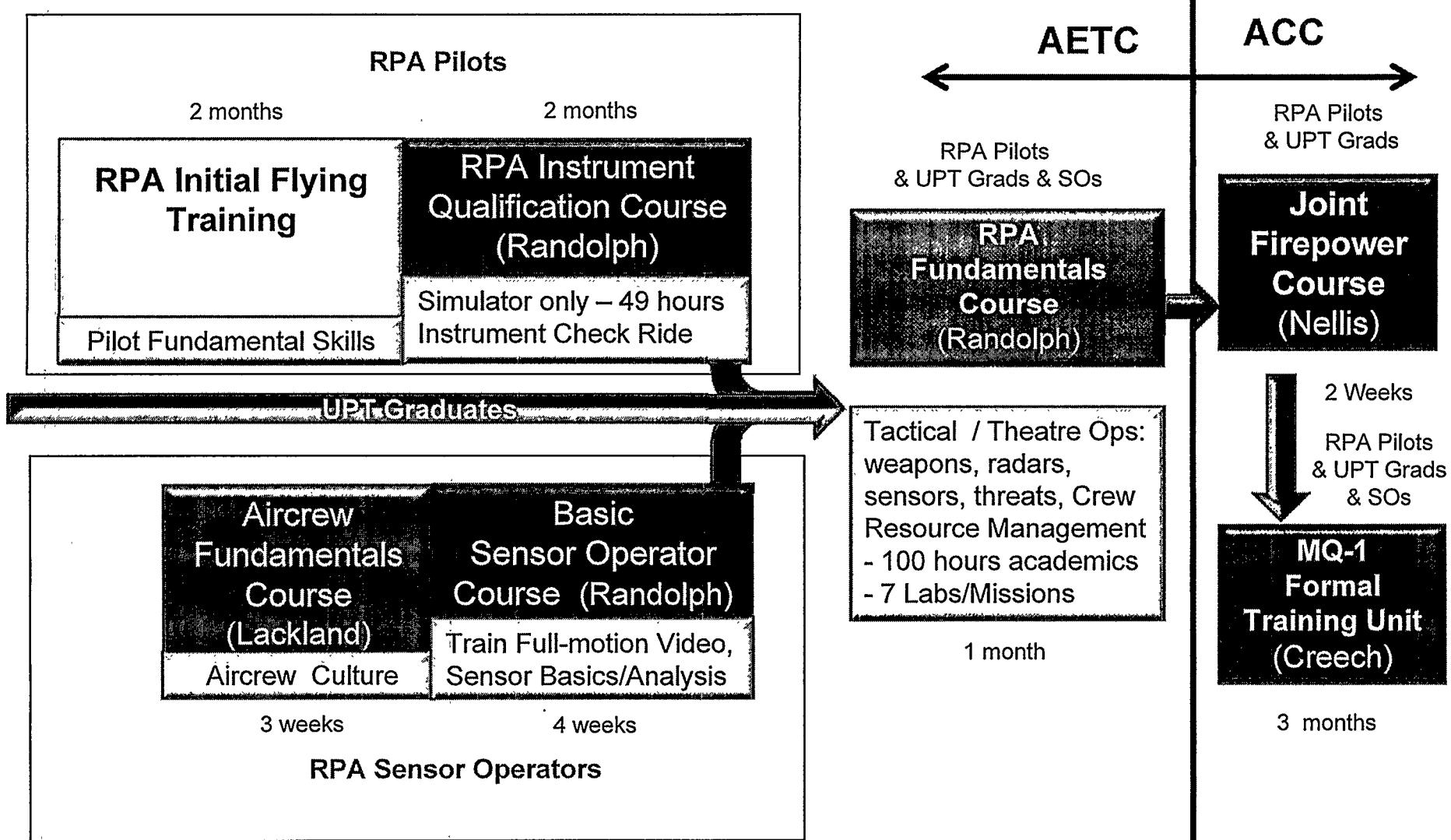
## ***Background***

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- USAF convened the UAS Career Field Steering Group (Sep '08)
  - Weekly GO and O-6 meetings
  - Goal: Chart the way ahead for a distinct cadre of UAS warfighting professionals
- Consulted with training/operations experts across the AF to design a robust curriculum for ground-up, UAS-Specific training
- Beta 1 – 8 graduates Sep '09, in CMR training
  - 10 Captains from rated and non-rated career fields
- Beta 2 – Complete with the first 4 phases in the FTU now
  - 10 Lt's from accession sources (USAFA, ROTC, OTS)
- AFRL conducting performance feedback research to optimize curriculum



# RPA Pipeline Training





## **Beta Test Syllabi**

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- Initial Flight Training (IFT) – Randolph, AFB
  - ~35 flying hrs, (incl. 3 hrs x-cntry, 3 hrs night, 3 hrs of sim inst)
- UAS Instrument Qualification (UIQ) - Randolph
  - Instrument tng derived from T-6 syllabus
  - 120 hrs academics, 36 sims (46 hrs), no flying
- UAS Fundamentals Course (UFC) - Randolph
  - 100 hrs academics, 7 sims (11 hrs) - ATO, SPINS, Intro to combat ops, etc)
- Joint Air Ground Operations School/Joint Firepower Course - Nellis
  - 80 hrs academics (CAS fundamentals, TACS, weapons, etc.)
- MQ-1 Formal Training Unit - Creech
  - 90 hrs academics, 16 sims (45 hrs), 11 sorties (28 flying hrs)



## ***Way Ahead/Next Steps***

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- Continue to enhance training curriculum based on new technologies and mission requirements
- Beta 3, 4 and 5 selected
  - Beta 3 started IFT in January
- Crawl, Walk, Run approach
  - 60 graduates planned for '10
  - 135 graduates planned for '11
  - Mid term capacity of 250



## *Panel Topic*

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# UAS Procedures

COL Bob Hess

DoD Policy Board on Federal Aviation



## ***What's Driving Requirements***

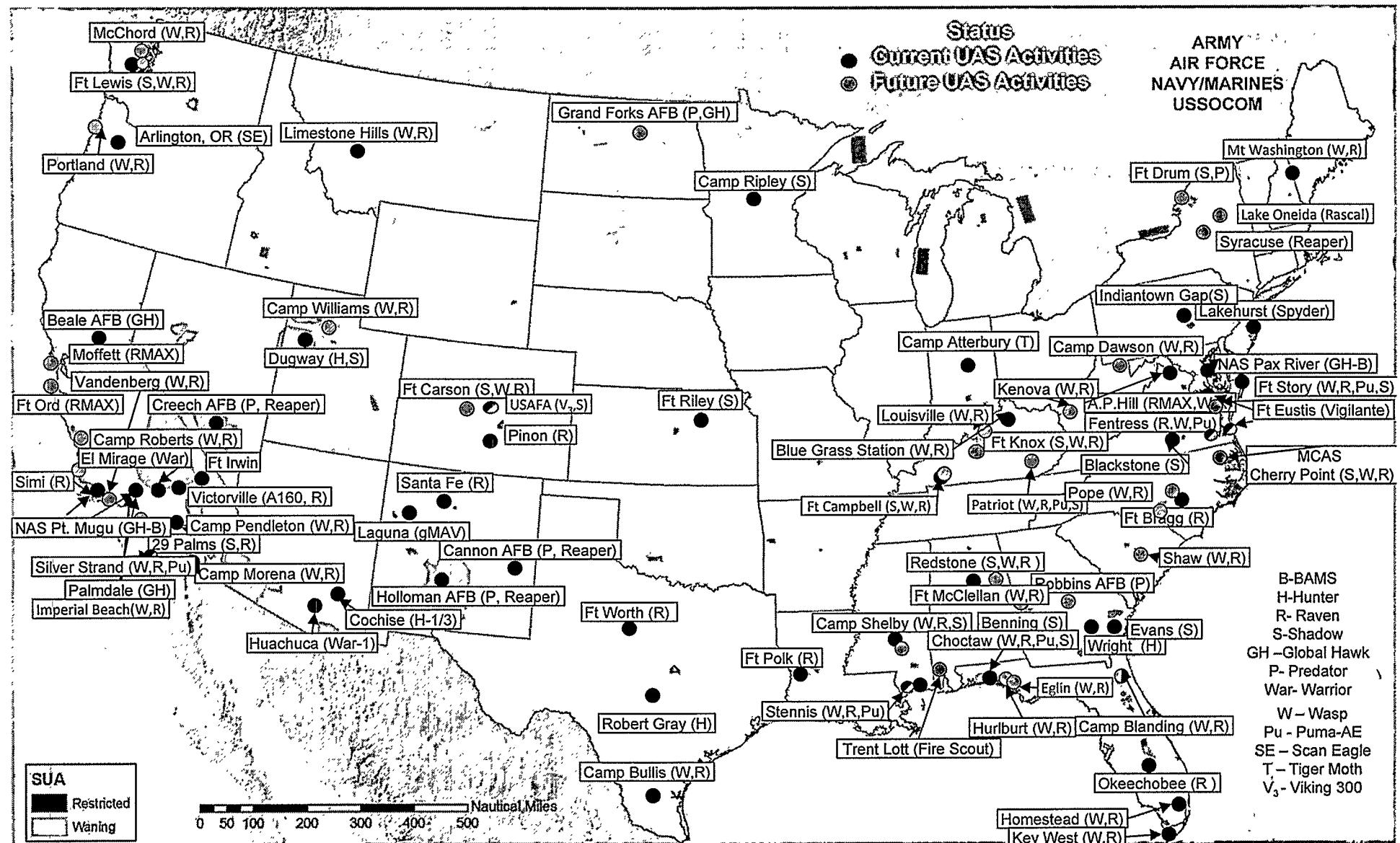
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- DOD trains and operates as a Joint force; UAS are key to successful operations; train the way we fight
- Support to pre-deployment and post-deployment training/operations
- Support to disaster relief, Defense Support to Civil Authority, and NORTHCOM contingency operations
- Fielding of new systems to active and reserve component
- Eventual redeployment of UAS from Iraq and Afghanistan
- Current and Future Training Requirements
  - Night operations
  - Multi-ship operations
  - Manned-Unmanned mixed operations
  - Routine Interagency/NORTHCOM exercise/support



# DoD UAS Activities

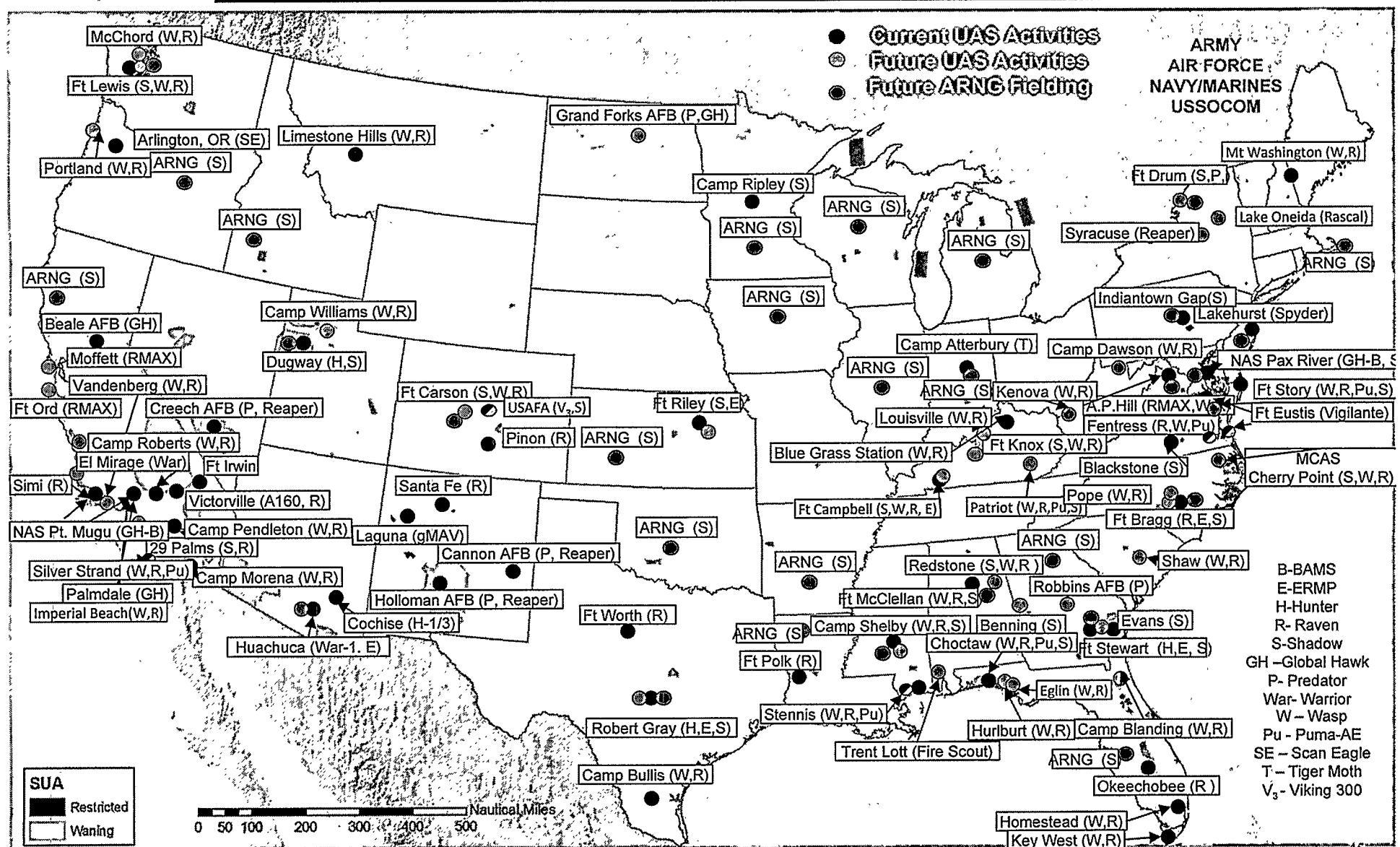
## Current and Projected Through FY11





# DoD UAS Activities

## Projected Operations Through FY16



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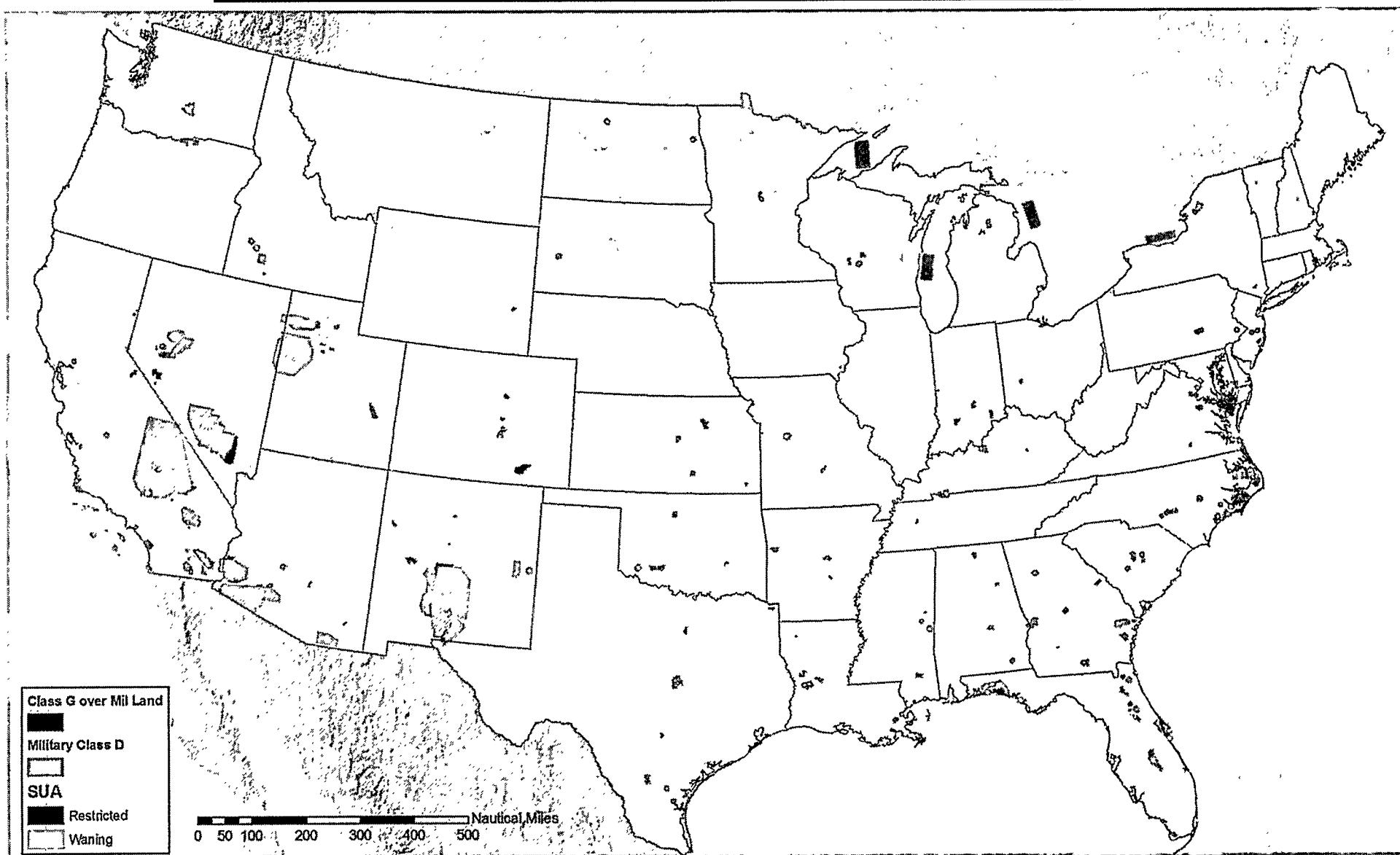
## ***Policy and Procedures***

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- The requirement for airspace access will increase over time; we need to prepare now to meet current and future demand
- Use all the tools in the toolbox; prepare our forces for combat and civil support requirements
  - ExCom leadership is a powerful force for progress
  - Policy and procedure changes are the focus in the near term
  - Advances in technology used to fill in the gaps in the future
- Initial focus will produce near term change; streamline COA process; reduce COA requirements; increase NAS access
- Multi-agency COA Work Group is progressing well; recommendations will improve the COA process and provide measurable results
- Continue to build on existing bilateral agreements with the FAA; synchronize with ExCom direction to ensure unity of effort



# RAs, WAs, Non-Joint Use Class D; Class G over Military Reservations



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## ***Bilateral Agreements***

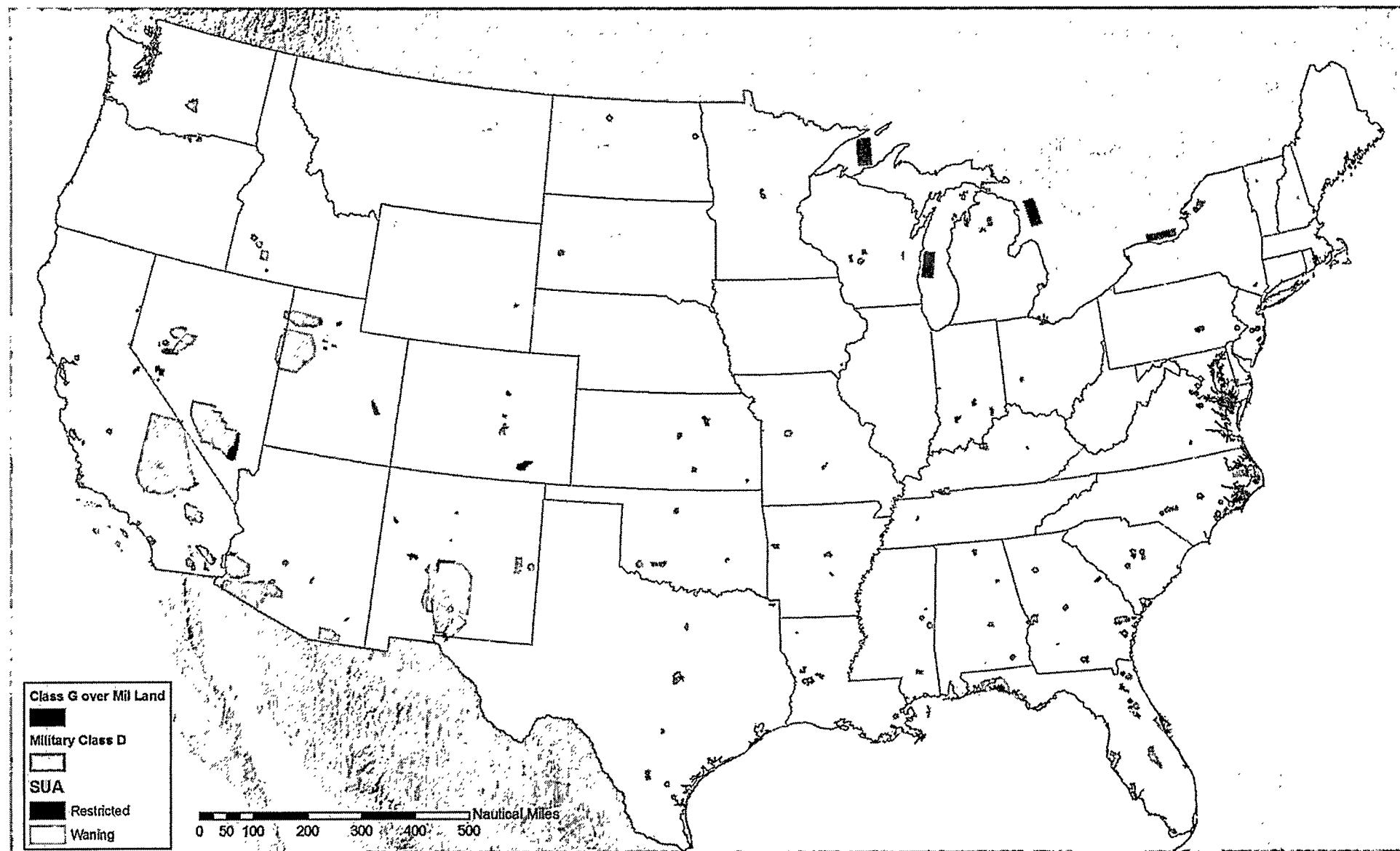
### ***DoD Recommendations***

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- Focused on enhancing DOD UAS access to the NAS; conducting operations safely
- Recommended changes to the current agreement
  - Extend notification procedures to allow Small UAS to fly in Class G airspace off military controlled land
  - Use notification procedures similar to Class G for Class D Non-Joint Use Airfields; transitions to adjoining RA
  - COA renewals – if no changes to the COA, the renewal will go through an abbreviated COA process
  - Extend the COA term from 12 months to 24 months
  - Develop standard lost link procedures to provide predictability to ATC controllers
- These recommendations are in line with the ExCom COA WG efforts



# RAs, WAs, Non-Joint Use Class D; Class G over Military Reservations

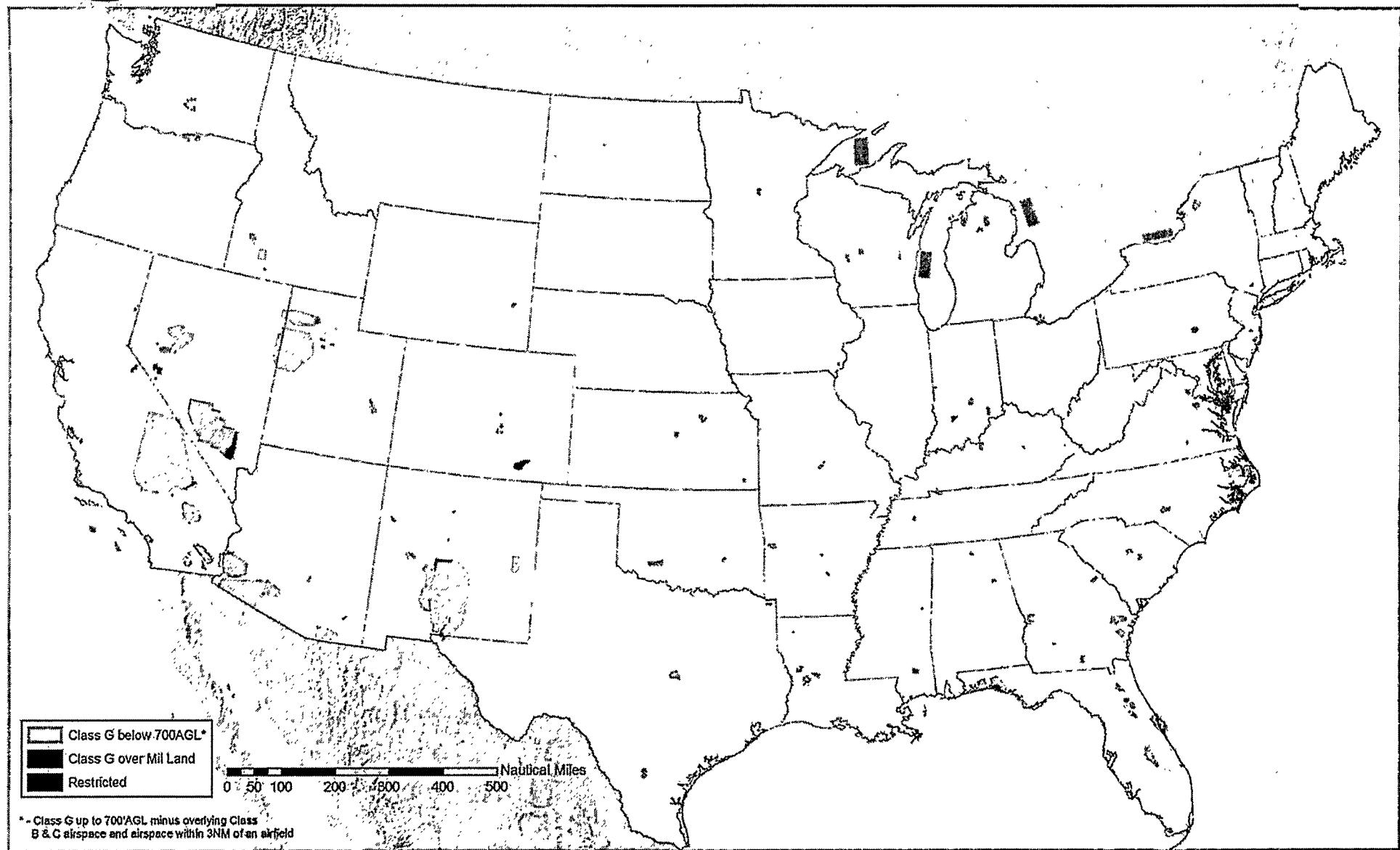


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# Class G Airspace

## Surface to 700' AGL



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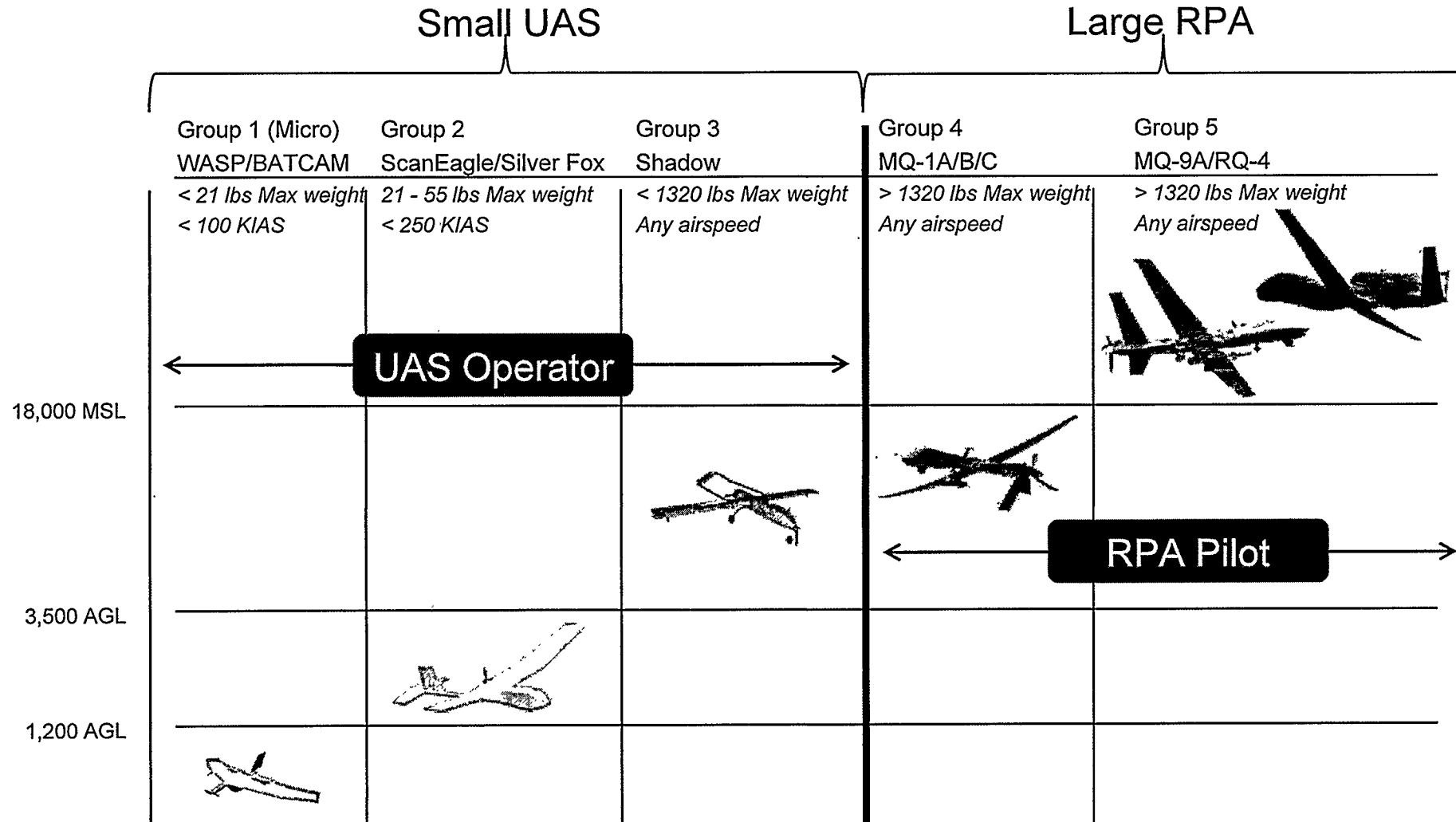


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# ***BACK-UP***



# RPA Categories

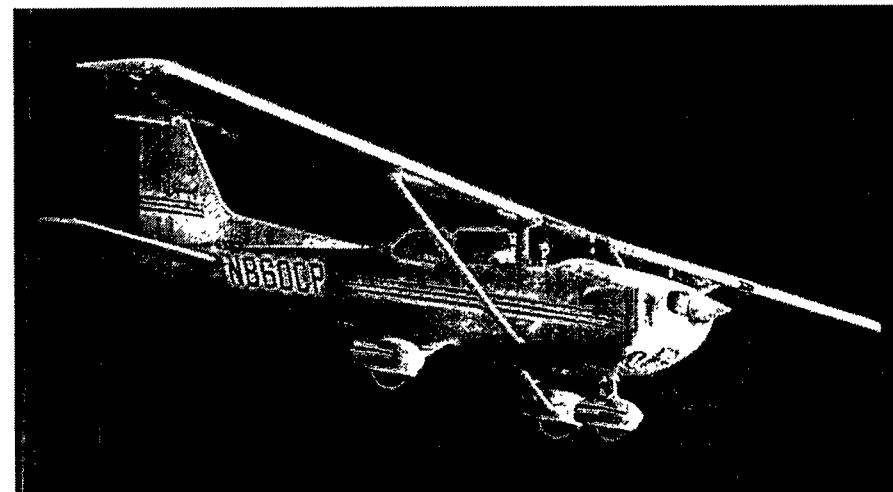




## *RPA Initial Flight Training (RIFT)*

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- Objective: Develop fundamentally sound, NAS-qualified Air Force RPA pilot candidates
- Method: Contract Flight Training Facility
  - 35 - 40 hours total flying time
  - Written exams and practical checkrides
  - Graduates proceed to RPA Instrument Qualification (RIQ) program

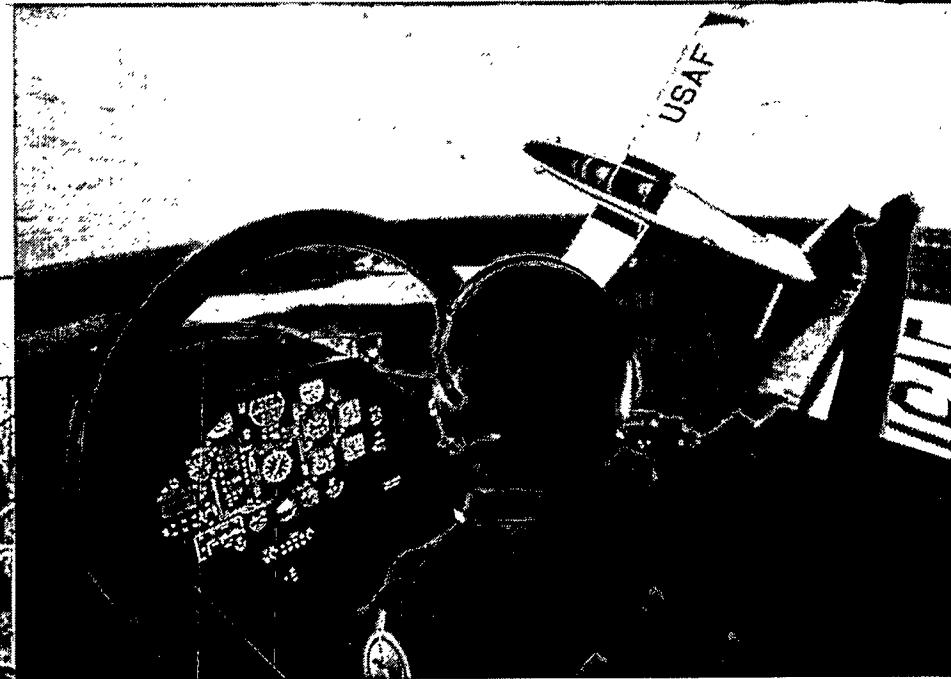
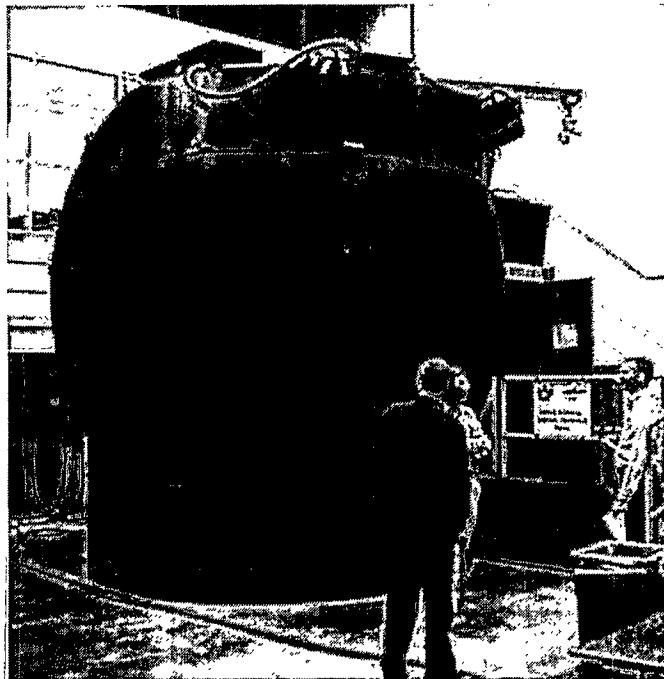




## *RPA Instrument Qualification (RIQ)*

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- BETA Pilots only. 38 sims, 49 hours, 162 academic hours, 23 hours instrument time over 9 calendar weeks
- Currently utilizes a T-6 simulator; transitioning to dedicated Instrument sim in FY11





# RIQ Instrument Qualification (Detail)

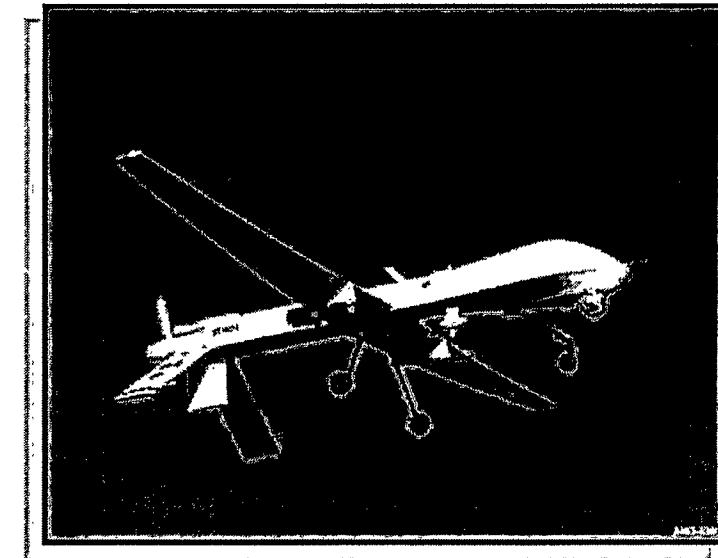
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Atmospheric Structure	Situational Awareness Flight Integrity / Wingman Consideration	Instrument Displays and Cross-check	IFR Mission Planning
Atmospheric Mechanics		Turns, Climbs, and Descents	IFR Navigation
Frontal Mechanics	Task Management	Instrument Maneuvers	IFR Mission Planning Lab
Thunderstorms	Communication Decision Making and Risk Management	Introduction to Radio Instruments	IFR Navigation Review
Weather Hazards	Introduction to CRM (Reading Assignment not tracked in TIMS)	Instruments 2	VFR Mission Planning
METARS and TAFS		Advanced Instruments Overview	VFR / Low-level Navigation
Weather Charts and Imagery	Flying Fundamentals	FLIP, NOTAMs and Charts	Lost Procedures
Watches and Advisories	TOLD Computations Clearing, Cross-check, and Basic Flight	Instrument Takeoff and Departure Arrival Preparation and Holding	VFR Arrivals VFR Navigation Review
DD 175-1		Descent, and Penetration	Low-level Planning Lab
Aerodynamics	Taxi and Takeoff	Low Altitude Approaches	Strange Field Procedures
Basic Theory	Departure and Climb	Final Approach	ICAO & SARPs Introduction
Lift and Drag	Traffic Patterns	Radar Approaches	
Wake Turbulence and Wind Shear	Landing	Transition to Landing and Missed Approach	



## *RPA Fundamentals Course (RFC)*

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- Academics (135 hours)
  - 21 Training Days
- SUPT Pilot/Beta/SO into RPA
  - ROE
  - Use of Deadly Force
  - What it takes to operate in battle space
  - CRM
- Flying Training (no manned aircraft)
  - Simulator Use (7 missions/labs)
  - Desktop PC based Flight Training Device; currently A-10C; Predator/Reaper (PRIME) version in development





# ***OSD UAS Airspace Integration Plan***

## ***Overview***

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- Purpose
- Requirement
- Equities
- Foundational Activities
- UAS NAS Access Profiles
- Validation Activities
- Way Ahead
- Summary